

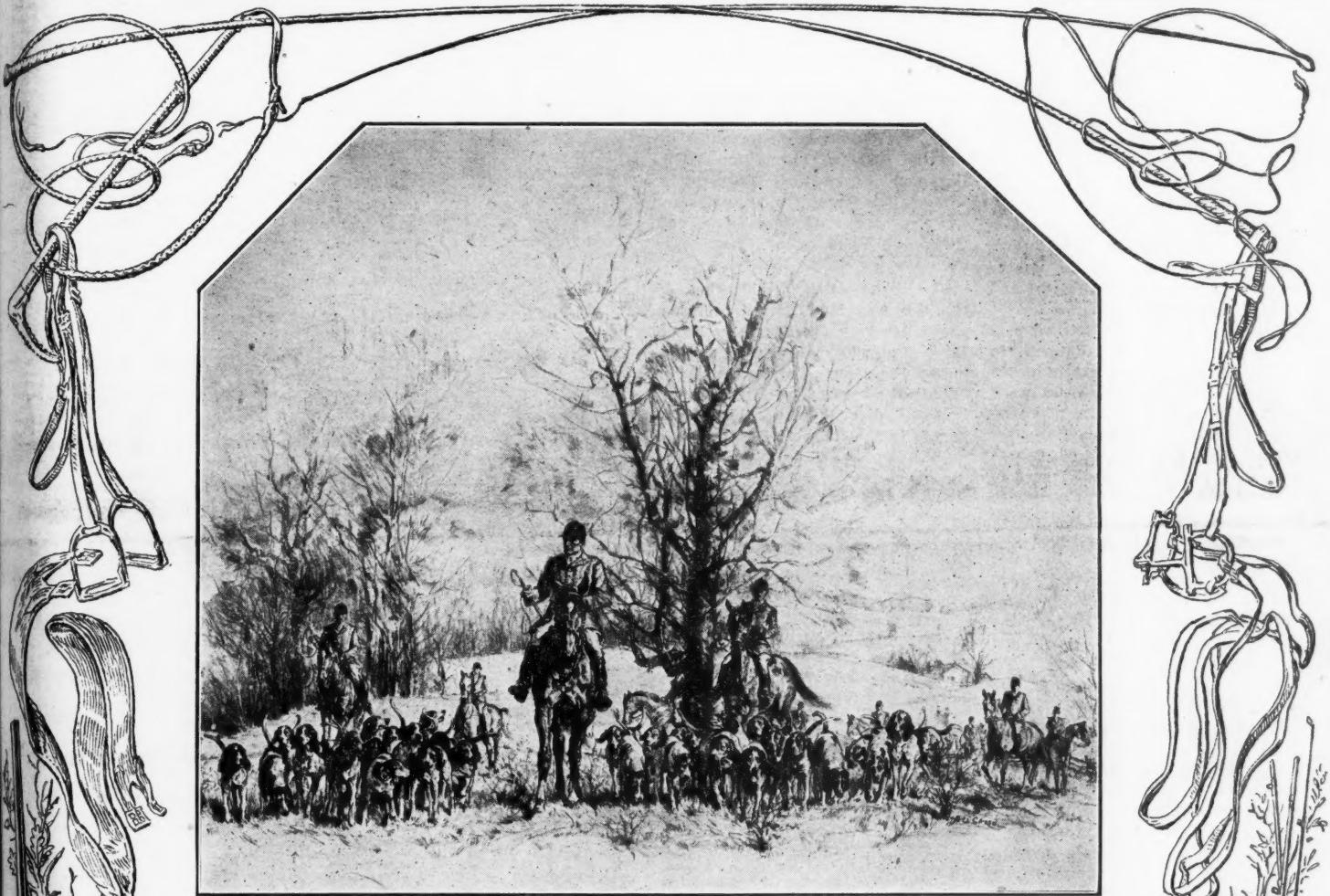
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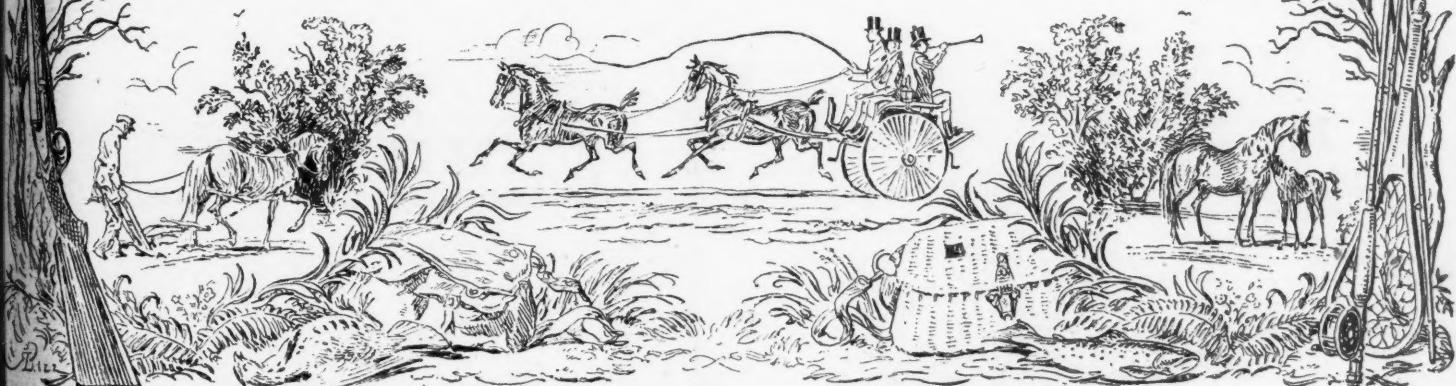
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MIDDLEBURG HOUNDS AND STAFF

Joint Masters Miss Charlotte H. Noland and Mr. Daniel C. Sands opened the Middleburg season on Saturday, November 3rd. Huntsman Maddox is seen above with the Middleburg pack.

Courtesy Ned Chase.



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Horse Shows

Prompt Payment Has Outstanding Rounds For Hunter Tri-Color

By Walter Craigie

Doubling his point score by winning two blues when they were needed, Mrs. John Maloney's Prompt Payment won the hunter championship of the Farmington Hunt Club horse show, held near Charlottesville, Virginia, October 20-21.

Prompt Payment's victory ended a three-way battle between Richard Reynolds, Jr.'s Hawkwood Ceil, W. Haggins Perry's Lucky Buck and himself. The final scores were: Prompt Payment, 15 points; Hawkwood Ceil, 13½ points; and Lucky Buck, 13 points.

Corporal Roland Ridgeway gave Prompt Payment perfect handling and the 5-year-old son of *Hilltown—My Hattie came to his fences straight as the proverbial arrow and cleared them with ease.

Ridgeway had a grim few minutes while watching qualified hunters (in which his mount was not entered) where Hawkwood Ceil picked up 5 points and Lucky Buck, 3. The Corinthian was the only remaining class before the preliminary and it was here that Prompt Payment turned in a round which brought the stands to its feet. Hawkwood Ceil and Lucky Buck were out of the ribbons and Prompt Payment's win let him enter the preliminary tied with Hawkwood Ceil at 12½ points each.

The Maloney entry won the blue and clinched the title. Hawkwood Ceil was 2nd.

The jumper tricolor found its resting place on the bridle of Clarence Criser's Mosby, a spot which has become familiar to Virginia showgoers. Tom Criser rode as the well-bodied chestnut gelding won 13 to 7 over Lieutenant and Mrs. Verster Todd's Huntsman's Pride.

The pony and children's division was the feature of the show. Classes were so big that children, horses and ponies stretched back from the in-gate nearly as far as the eye could see. The final champions were La Grange's Prince Charming, owned by David Laird and ridden by Myrna Felvey, with Craige Todd's Dapper Dan, Billy Thomas up, netting the reserve.

The real star of the pony division, however, was 8-year-old Terry Drury riding a 2-year-old gray by the name of Snowstorm. The pigtailed miss rode as cool as a cucumber and drew repeated rounds of applause from the stands.

The crowd also got a kick out of the open jumper class where big, bluff Grover Vandevender rode his Major Pete to a win over diminutive Gloria Galban on Miss Brownie. The two tied and jumped off at 4'-6".

The knock-down-and-out was run off Saturday night in pitch black darkness and Rose Gold proved that she was a lady of the evening by winning.

The judges were Christopher M. Greer, Jr., for hunters, and Dean Bedford, for ponies and equitation.

Summaries

October 20

Novice jumpers—1. Joker, Mrs. R. H. Schlesinger; 2. Edgewood Empress, Edgewood Farm;

Old Time Attendance Adds Atmosphere To Fairfield Trials

Sunday, October 21st was the day set aside for the Fairfield and Westchester Hunter Trials on Yale Farms, Greenwich, Connecticut. The day was perfect itself, the crowd, history making, and the committee felt that the trials were entirely successful from every standpoint. The informality of a day like this is always pleasant. Everyone brought their own picnic lunches and so many of the old hunting group turned out—Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Clark, Mr. and Mrs. William Post, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilshire, Hamilton Burk, Gerard S. Smith with his previous winner, Sun Faun; the joint-Masters of Fairfield, Mrs. Howard Serrell and Richard I. Robinson and many others.

The outstanding combination of the day was Mrs. Serrell and her grand, big grey, Big Train, by Royal Ford—Polly Keyes. Judged champion of the show, she also carried a blue in the handy hunter, the trophy in the Ladies' Cup and third place honors in the Fairfield Plate.—S.

Summaries

The Ladies' Cup—1. Big Train, Mrs. H. P. Serrell; 2. Better Marked, Ann Morningstar; 3. Clifton's David, Mrs. Rodney Waterman; 4. Midkiff's Melody, Mrs. W. J. Barney.

Westchester Plate—1. Detonator, Mrs. R. P. Nobel (ridden by Mrs. H. P. Serrell); 2. On Guard, Frank Hawkins; 3. Roil Allenby, Mrs. Sidney Gilbert; 4. Goshen Broom, K. Kunhardt.

Children's hunters—1. Better Marked, Ann Morningstar; 2. Guanada, Ethel Skakel; 3. Happy Maid, Graven Winslow.

Fairfield Plate—1. Granard, R. L. Parish; 2. Red Rock, Mrs. Bernard Gimbel; 3. Big Train, Mrs. H. P. Serrell; 4. Sun Faun, Gerard Smith.

Fairfield and Westchester Hunt Junior Hunt Cup—1. Ann Morningstar; 2. Marie Schultz; 3. Ethel Skakel; 4. Ann Skakel.

Handy hunters—1. Big Train, Mrs. H. P. Serrell; 2. Golden Arrow, Barbara Wahl; 3. Detonator, Mrs. Robert Noble; 4. Monkey Man, A. Moore.

The Professional Horsemen's Association Challenge Trophy—1. Red Rock, Mrs. B. F. Gimbel; 2. Sun Faun, G. S. Smith; 3. Roil Allenby, Mrs. Sidney Gilbert; 4. Monkey Man, A. Moore.

Golden Bridge Challenge trophy for hunt team—1. Golden's Bridge, R. L. Parish; 2. Fairfield and Westchester Hounds (Juniors), Ann Morningstar; 3. Fairchild County Hounds, A. Moore; 4. Fairfield and Westchester Hounds, Mrs. H. P. Serrell.

The Greenwich Championship Cup, Champion—Big Train, Mrs. H. P. Serrell; Reserve—Better Marked, Ann Morningstar.

3. Little Chief, Grover Vandevender; 4. Miss Gloria, Gloria Galban, agent.

Ponies under saddle, under 14-2—1. Dapper Dan, Craige Todd; 2. Apron Strings, Gloria Galban; 3. La Grange's Prince Charming, David Laird; 4. Trophy, Grover Vandevender.

3-year-olds and maiden hunters—1. Grand Illusion, Holliday Hill Farm; 2. Reno Manna, Dr. J. P. Jones; 3. Baby Haha, Rodger Rinehart; 4. The Barker, Meander Farm.

Children's horsemanship, under 17—1. Nancy Twining; 2. Margaret Wood; 3. Ann Yoe; 4. John F. Freeman, Jr.

Half-bred hunters—1. Joker, Mrs. R. H. Schlesinger; 2. Rockbairn, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Bruce; 3. Major Pete, Grover Vandevender; 4. Easter Eve, Virginia Rinehart.

Pony saddle, children 7 and under—1. La Grange's Prince Charming, David Laird; 2. Two Bits, A. T. and S. Parker; 3. Snowball, A. T. and S. Parker; 4. Pinocchio, Ellwood Page Keith.

Touch and out—1. Mosby, Clarence C. Criser; 2. Rose Gold, Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Bruce; 3. Edgewood Empress, Edgewood Farm; 4. Huntsman's Pride, Lt. and Mrs. Verser Todd.

Green hunters—1. Grand Illusion, Holliday Hill Farm; 2. Carefree, Walter Craige; 3. The Barker, Meander Farm; 4. Watch, Virginia, Mrs. Frank Wilson.

Horsemanship, A. S. P. C. A., under 17—1. Nancy Twining; 2. Gloria Galban; 3. Terry Drury; 4. Jackie Graham.

Working hunters—1. Lucky Buck, W. Haggins Perry; 2. Primavera, Ellwood Page Keith; 3. Pamuck, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Renwick; 4. Prompt Payment, Mrs. John Maloney.

Hunters under saddle—1. Mathematician, Meander Farm; 2. Prompt Payment, Mrs. John Maloney; 3. Substitution, Mrs. John Maloney; 4. Hawkwood Cell, Richard Reynolds.

Open to all jumpers—1. Major Pete, Grover Vandevender; 2. Miss Brownie, Gloria Galban; 3. Huntsman's Pride, Lt. and Mrs. Verser Todd; 4. Edgewood Empress, Edgewood Farm.

Ladies' hunters—1. Hawkwood Cell, Richard Reynolds; 2. Lucky Buck, W. Haggins Perry;

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The Sporting Calendar

Racing

OCTOBER

8-Nov. 17—New Hampshire Jockey Club, Inc., Rockingham Park, Salem, N. H. 36 days.

LOWELL 'CAP, 3 & up, 6 f., Sat., Nov. 18

ARMISTICE DAY 'CAP, 3 & up, 1 mi. & f.

Mon., Nov. 19 \$5,000 Added

AU REVOIR 'CAP, 3 & up, 1 3-16 mi., Sat.

Nov. 17 \$5,000 Added

8-Nov. 17—Burrillville Racing Assn., Inc., Pascoag Park, Pascoag, R. I. 36 days.

22-Nov. 30—The Maryland Jockey Club of Baltimore, Bowie, Havre de Grace, and Laurel (combined meeting), Pimlico, Md.

EXTERMINATOR 'CAP, 3 & up, 2 mi. & 70

yds., Sat., Nov. 10 \$10,000 Added

ENDURANCE 'CAP, 2-yr.-olds, 1 mi. & 70

yds., Mon., Nov. 12 \$10,000 Added

PIMLICO SPECIAL, By Invitation Only, 1 3-16 mi., Sat., Nov. 17 \$25,000 Added

THE MARGUERITE, 2-yr.-old fillies, 1 1-16

mi., Sat., Nov. 17 \$7,500 Added

BATTLESUIT 'CHASE 'CAP, 3 & up, 2 mi.

Wed., Nov. 21 \$10,000 Added

LADY BALTIMORE 'CAP, 3 & up, fillies &

males, 1 1-16 mi., Thurs., Nov. 22 \$10,000 Added

PIMLICO FUTURITY, 2-yr.-olds, 1 1-16 mi., Sat., Nov. 24 \$15,000 Added

RIGGS 'CAP, 3 & up, 1 3-16 mi., Sat., Nov. 24 \$25,000 Added

MANLY 'CHASE 'CAP, 4 & up, 2½ mi., Wed., Nov. 28 \$10,000 Added

THE WALDEN, 2-yr.-olds, 1 1-16 mi., Fri., Nov. 30 \$25,000 Added

PIMLICO CUP 'CAP, 3 & up, 2½ mi., Fri., Nov. 30 \$25,000 Added

22-Dec. 5—California Jockey Club, Inc., Bay Meadows, San Mateo, Calif. 47 days.

STAKES

PETER CLARK 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., Nov. 10 \$10,000 Added

ARMISTICE DAY 'CAP, 6 f., all ages, Mon., Nov. 12 \$10,000 Added

SAN MATEO 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., all ages, fillies and mares, Sat., Nov. 17 \$10,000 Added

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY 'CAP, 1 1-16

mi., all ages, Sat., Nov. 24 \$10,000 Added

A. B. SPRECKLES 'CAP, 6 f., all ages, Thursday, Nov. 29 \$10,000 Added

SALINAS 'CAP, 1 mi., 2-yr.-olds, Sat., Dec. 1 \$10,000 Added

ALAMEDA 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., all ages, Sat., Dec. 1 \$10,000 Added

HOMEBRED STAKES, 6 f., 2-yr.-olds, Colts & Geldings, Wed., Dec. 5 \$10,000 Added

BAY MEADOWS 'CAP, 1½ mi., all ages, Sat., Dec. 8 \$25,000 Added

SAN JOSE 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., all ages, Sat., Dec. 15 \$10,000 Added

VETERANS' REHABILITATION 'CAP, 6 f., all ages, Sat., Dec. 15 \$10,000 Added

NOVEMBER

22-March 5—Fair Grounds Breeders & Racing Association, New Orleans, La. 75 days. Mondays dark.

STAKES

PELICAN 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., all ages, Thurs., Dec. 29 \$5,000 Added

SHREVERPORT 'CAP, 6 f., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 12 \$5,000 Added

BELLE GROVE 'CAP, 6 f., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., Feb. 2 \$5,000 Added

PRIORESS 'CAP, 1 mi. & 70 yds., 3 & up, fillies & mares, Sat., Feb. 9 \$5,000 Added

LECOMPTÉ 'CAP, 1 mi. & 70 yds., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 16 \$5,000 Added

NEW ORLEANS 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 23 \$25,000 Added

LOUISIANA DERBY, 1½ mi., 3-yr.-olds, Sat., March 2 \$15,000 Added

22-Mar. 16—Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc., Santa Anita Park, Arcadia, Calif. 55 days.

CALIFORNIA BREEDERS' CHAMPION STAKES, 1 mi., Calif.-bred 2-yr.-olds, Sat., Dec. 29 \$25,000 Added

SAN CARLOS 'CAP, 7 f., 3 & up, Tues., Jan. 1 \$25,000 Added

SANTA SUSANA STAKES, 6 f., 3-yr.-old fillies, Sat., Jan. 5 \$25,000 Added

SAN PASQUAL 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., 3 & up, Sat., Jan. 12 \$50,000 Added

SAN FILIPE STAKES, 6 f., 3-yr.-olds, colts & geldings, Sat., Jan. 19 \$25,000 Added

SANTA MARIA STAKES, 1 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies, Sat., Jan. 26 \$25,000 Added

SANTA CATALINA 'CAP, 1 1-16 mi., Calif.-bred, 3 & up, Sat., Feb. 2 \$50,000 Added

SAN VINCENTE 'CAP, 1 mi., 3-yr.-old fillies, Sat., Feb. 9 \$25,000 Added

SANTA BARBARA STAKES, 7 f., 3 & up, colts & geldings, Tues., Feb. 12 \$25,000 Added

filies & mares, Tues., Feb. 12 \$25,000 Added

22-Mar. 23—Montgomery Park, Montgomery, Md. 75 days.

STAKES

ATLANTA HUNT CLUB TRIALS, North Fulton Stables, Atlanta, Ga.

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10—Montpelier Hunt Race Meeting, Montpelier, Vt.

NOVEMBER

2-11—Second annual Chicago Horse Show, Coliseum, Chicago, Ill.

7 to 14, INC.—National Horse Show Assn. of America, Ltd., N. Y. (tentative).

9-11—Cleveland Fall Horse Show, Armory 107th Cavalry, 2500 East 130th St., Shaker Heights, Ohio.

16-17-18—Providence Horse Show, Providence, R. I.

24-25—Brooklyn Brook Club, Fall Horse Show, Scarsdale, N. Y.

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14-15—Brooklyn Horse Show, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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DECEMBER

16—Atlanta Hunt Club Trials, North Fulton Stables, Atlanta, Ga.

MARCH

3. Atlanta Hunt Club Trials, North Fulton Stables, Atlanta, Ga.

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Hunt Meetings

NOVEMBER

10—Montpelier Hunt Race Meeting, Montpelier, Vt.

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The Byerly Turk

Charles II's Great Flare For Sport While Exiled In France Proved Beneficial To England By Importation Of Barb Mares

By Neil C. Collins

In our last article on the early American thoroughbred we treated on the arrival of its progenitors in England, the three stallions that are considered the fountain heads of the family of the thoroughbred racing horse as we know it today, the Byerly Turk, Darley Arabian and the Godolphin Arabian.

After these three stallions were brought to England they were serviced to the standard English mare of the time that had been bred from the royal mares of Charles II which were Tunisian Barbars that had been imported to England by the sport loving monarch early in the seventeenth century.

The thoroughbred subsequently was further developed during the reign of Queen Anne and successive rulers. As a matter of fact most English Queens and Monarchs since the reign of King James I (1666-1625) have shown a great interest in thoroughbred horse racing right up to the present day, and most of them had their breeding farms, and bred and raced their own stock.

Thus we can safely say that England became the birthplace of the thoroughbred horse as far back as the sixteenth century, (with the incalculable help of Ireland, of course, and her lush pastures where big bone and sinew were built) and the sport of racing has developed so much since then that, today, it has become a national habit in the British Isles.

There is not a thoroughbred racehorse in the world today that does not trace back to English ancestry.

When in the early days the sport of racing the thoroughbred caught on in England, it spread like wildfire to the Colonies and was taken up with great gusto in the states of the New World that was just taking form.

Unfortunately, the early history of horse breeding and racing in America was interrupted greatly in the years when the industry was in its infancy by, first the Revolutionary War and later, when it had recovered and things were just about looming bright again, by the Civil War. In addition to the impediment of two wars the young and growing industry was assailed on all sides by religious groups who clamored for its discontinuation. Despite these various setbacks it kept a smoldering spark of life until the big money interests of America got behind it and set the spark into flame to blaze up through the decades until today it is a thriving and lucrative industry, although not yet quite accepted in the strict sense of the word by social reformers.

We glean from our early records which are rather vague, that there was horse racing in America, with the so-called "quarter breed" fighting it out for turf honors before the advent of the thoroughbred horse from England.

Before we trace the course of thoroughbred racing throughout the young states, it might be well to go back a little bit and have a look at the type of horse that was here before the pure bred took over. There is no doubt about the fact that the early pioneers found good horse stock in the country when they came here.

Away back through the pages of history we find that Cortes brought quite a lot of horses with him from Spain to aid in his conquest of Mexico. Many of these horses broke away from War so to speak and crossed the border into new pastures and went wild on the plains. Here they developed a certain amount of speed and stamina in galloping over the prairies to avoid the Indians who tried to capture and domesticate them. They were later joined by herds of roving horses from Canada. These Canadian horses were the progeny of horses that had broken away from their French-Canadian owners, as many Norman-French horses had been earlier sent from France to Canada. These herds of wild horses inter bred and a nice type of horse developed from the cross breeding.

He was a small horse but had some speed and quite a lot of stamina, as the early settlers found out when they tried to capture it for domestication. The settlers again crossed this animal with those they had brought with them from the old countries, and the resulting progeny was considered good.

When Col. Richard Nicolls arrived in New York in 1664 as first English Governor of the state, he must have found a good type of horse here because he thought enough of it to call a meeting at Hempstead, Long Island in February 1665 for the purpose of establishing the sport of

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Thoroughbred hunters—1. Prompt Payment, Mrs. John Maloney; 2. Substitution, Mrs. Maloney; 3. Hawkwood Cell, Richard Reynolds; 4. Grand Illusion, Holiday Hill Farm.

Hunter hacks—1. Baby Seal, Shirley McGavock; 2. Watch Virginia, Mrs. Frank Wilson; 3. Joker, Mrs. R. H. Schlesinger; 4. Primevera, Ellewood Page Keith.

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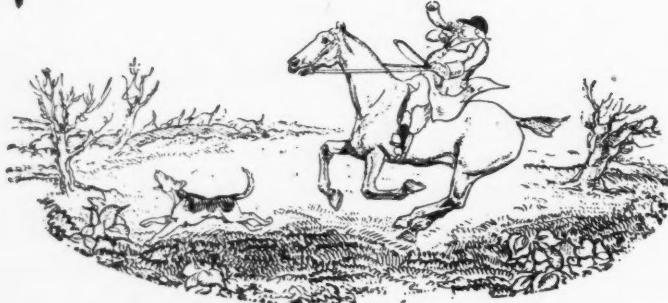
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Hunting



Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds

Unionville, Penna.

Established 1914
Recognized 1914

Master: W. Plunket Stewart.
Hounds: English.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet.

Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds closed their cubbing season on Tuesday, October 30th, having hunted 31 days.

While the going and weather throughout the season (August 20th to October 30th) were ideal, scent has not been the best, and interference by finding many more gray foxes and on three occasions deer, has not made it a successful season.

One of the most pleasant days that the followers of these hounds enjoyed was on Saturday, October 27th, when they met at the Kennels at 8 A.M.

Having been confined to the house with a cold for several days, and therefore being unable to be mounted, I watched the proceedings from an automobile and was deeply impressed how much one could enjoy the sport by using this means of transportation and how much could be seen.

As I knew that the first draw was the burnt house swamp, and as I had the Master's consent to do so, I perched myself on top of a hill overlooking this covert, and as hounds were "waved in" I counted 22 in the field.

This covert was empty, but I had the good luck to view a fox emerging from "Little Pinkerton's" and had the pleasure of hallooing him away. Charlie, our huntsman, quickly had them on the line, and a most enjoyable little gallop followed, finally marking him to ground near the burnt house swamp.

The scene of activities was then transferred to Stony Battery, and here again those who were following in cars had the opportunity of viewing several times.

A fox went away from Stony Battery to the south, but soon made an easterly turn on Mr. James E. Ryan's property, and after giving an excellent gallop, was marked to ground in one of the big grass fields on the Bailey Farm.

Our regular season will open at 11 o'clock at the Kennels on Saturday, November 3rd, and once again pink coats have been taken out of camphor and will decorate the landscape—I hope never again to be put away for another war.

Now that the war is over, the feeling of anxiety and depression has naturally changed to one of hope and optimism.

As far as Mr. Stewart's country

Piedmont Fox Hounds

Upperville, Va.

Established 1840
Recognized 1904

Master: Archibald C. Randolph, M. D.
Hounds: American.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, old gold collar.

Piedmont Fox Hounds are off to a good hunting season if their opening meet on November 2 is an example. Meeting at Five-Point at 10 o'clock, hunting conditions were not the best as the weather was hot and the ground exceedingly dry.

Hounds drew toward Llewellyn's and a short burst followed on a red which went on to Phipps. This one

went to ground but as the pack went across Raimeys', another red was gotten up and while hounds were on this line the third fox was viewed, but the second fox was put to earth before hounds were cast again.

The field really enjoyed a good, fast run from Raimeys', Woolfes', Butlers', Andersons' and killed on the Garrett Farm. Mrs. Howell Jackson was presented the mask and Mrs. R. C. Winmill, a visiting member from Warrenton, the brush.

Horses and riders were really put to it to face the Anderson fences after going over the Mellon ones. According to different persons who were out, the fences keep getting larger, but the general conclusion is that they were plenty stiff.

A gala note was added to the day as rat catchers disappeared and from the moth balls appeared pink coats and shad bellies. Top hats were in evidence and the day's outing will provide conversation for months to come.

Seen in the field were Dr. A. C. Randolph, M. F. H., Mrs. A. C. Randolph, Mrs. Howell Jackson, Crystelle Waggoner, Mrs. R. C. Winmill, Mrs. C. O. Iselin, Nancy Redmon, Mrs. Norman Toerge, Elizabeth Hubbard, W. A. Phillips, Mrs. M. E. Whitney, Dulaney Randolph, Stacy B. Lloyd, Jr., Paul Mellon, Mrs. Amory Perkins, Mrs. Laurens Hamilton, The Taylor Hardins, Jim Wiley and others.

goes, prospects for a good season are excellent, and many hunting boxes, which have been closed during the war, are being opened. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O. Choate have taken Mr. Arthur I. Melgs' house and are moving down from Pleasantville, New York on November 1st. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Van Pelt are opening their house in Green Valley, immediately back of the Kennels. Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Reeve are again opening their place—"Runnymede", and Mr. and Mrs. Radcliffe Cheston are contemplating doing the same.—Sandon.

Carroll Hounds

East Chatham, N. Y.

Established 1928
Registered 1141

Master: John Carroll.
Hounds: American.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet.

By Sydney R. Smith, Hon. Sec.

In our country we got an unusual late start this year. Unprecedented rains delayed haying and all farm activities so that it was impossible to get over the country as early as we usually do in our part of the world. Also we were handicapped by the shortage of help in all departments but got hounds out in August for road work and a little cubbing with the Master hunting hounds and Miss Jane Lawyer and Napier Smith whipping to him.

Our opening meet was on September 22nd at the New Britain Church where the Rev. John J. Casey of Valatie officiated at the annual Blessing of the Hounds.

Since that date hounds have been going out regularly with Saturday fixtures and occasional bye-days during the week. Mrs. William J. Stratton and Miss Jacqueline Sherndol reinforced the amateur staff which was depleted by the return of Napier Smith to South Kent School and Miss Lawyer's preoccupation with the young ladies of Emma Willard School of which institution of learning she is the Director of Physical Education.

On Sunday, October 21st local hunter trials for the youngsters were combined with an adequately refreshed gathering of landowners and neighbors and a beautiful autumn day.

The events and ribbon winners follow:

Horsemanship over fences for children under 16—1. Wendy Witherell; 2. Mary Louis Quale; 3. Lois Sherman; 4. Caroline Taylor.

Working hunters—1. John Wells, ridden by Betsey Zerbey; 2. Smoke, ridden by Wendy Witherell; 3. Filibuster, ridden by Nancy Clapp; 4. Harvest Day, ridden by Jacqueline Sherndol.

Handy hunters—1. Harvest Day, ridden by Jacqui Lee Sherndol; 2. John Wells, ridden by Betsey Zerbey; 3. Royal Masque, ridden by Coorganna Prime; 4. Copper, ridden by Lois Sherman.

Horsemanship over fences. Senior Div.—1. Caroline Bailey; 2. Dorothy Hosford; 3. Molly Aufsesser; 4. Leda Raigorodsky.

Conformation hunters—1. Copper, Lois Sherman; 2. Free Lance, Molly Aufsesser; 3. Lady Drummond, Emma Willard School; 4. John Wells, Emma Willard School.

Hunter hacks—1. Lady Drummond; 2. Royal Masque; 3. Smoke; 4. Copper.

In addition to the six classes there was an exhibition Hunt Team ridden by John Carroll, M. F. H., Donald McPherson and Dick Mackerer.

The classes were tough ones to judge but Mrs. Donald F. McPherson, of Pittsfield and Chicago, and Chester A. Braman, Ex-M. F. H., of the Old Chatham did a good job and escaped unscathed and no hair-pulling was noted among the contestants.

Goldens Bridge Hounds

Brewster, N. Y.

Established 1924
Recognized 1925

Master: R. Laurence Parish.
Hounds: American.
Hunting: Fox.
Colors: Scarlet, black collar.

Thursday, October 18, 1945

Hounds met at 8 a.m. at Star Ridge, Mr. Theodore Miller's Farm, and were cast in a swamp east of the old dairy barn and immediately gave tongue on a big, good running red. Hounds fairly streaked over Ryder Farm and through Pfleifer's large swamp to Peach Lake Road, then circled back in a northerly direction to starting point where we viewed fox running through Arthur Vail's herd. Hounds came on at a merry pace and cows never raised their heads, continuing with their grazing. Thence over Star Ridge Road through William Gladwin's Pheasant Farm and over by Turk Hill Road where pack split almost evenly, one pack crossing back to starting point, the other pack crossing golf course at Peach Lake (Bloomerside) and ran off in direction of the kennels. We finally picked up both packs and called it a very good day.

Saturday, October 20th:

Hounds met at the Kennels, "Rock Ridge Farm" at 8 A.M. and a field of 35 riders, headed by R. Laurence Parish, M. F. H., started off; hounds were drawn over the Salem Center country and found a big red in John Meldrum's meadow. Hounds ran over Cowle's and Gilbert Lobdell's farms and we viewed fox and hounds streaking over nice open country on John Meldrum's farm when we heard some shooting open up directly in front of the pack and a short time after passing this point the hounds pulled their fox down. This seemed to be the start of a real fox hunt. A second fox was found in the upper end of the former Walter Howe farm and went to safety on the same farm in full view of the entire field. Fox No. 3 was found in Von Gal swamp and went away fast over Nichols farm to North Salem, Peach Lake Road, then back over Meadow Lane Farm where we viewed this fine big red and as hounds ran their fox along a wall on the west side of Von Gal swamp a deer loped along side of wall and it was nice to see not a hound bothered the line of deer. We ran this fox for nearly two hours and as we crossed over June farm now owned by Sydney Gilbert, another large buck ran along side of the line taken by the pursued fox and again

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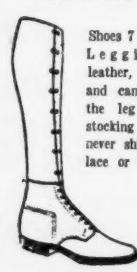
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Beagles



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Berwyn, Penna.

I thought many of your Beagle readers would be interested in the enclosed article from "The Field" on the status of Beagle Packs in England after the war. I found especially interesting the statistics on the number of packs and hounds left. The article was sent to me by Kimball Clement, Esq., Master of the Pentucket Beagles of Haverhill, Massachusetts. If you care to print all or part of it, I think it will be read with great interest by many of your subscribers.

Most of our American Beagle packs were able to carry on during the war although most were forced to cutdown the size of their packs. I was very pleased to find on my return from active duty with the AAF that my acting Joint-Masters Cameron MacLeod, Jr., and S. Stockton White, with Bob Harrison as huntsman, has done a wonderful job in carrying our pack through. We now have 10 couple of entered hounds and 2 couple of young entry and our best hounds were bred each season so that the average age of our present hounds is now less than 4 1/2 years. This could only be done by continually selling off all but the best. Strangely enough, despite gas rationing, etc., an excellent market for Beagles prevailed in this country throughout the war and now the demand far exceeds the supply. By the same token the class of Beagles now left in the various packs in America has greatly improved as no one was willing to feed a poor hound for the duration.

Using the same yardstick as Mr. Williams uses in his article in "The Field" and the roster of American

packs registered with the National Beagle Club, the following comparison of the number of Beagles in American and English Packs before and after the war can be drawn:

Before War		After War			
	Active Packs	Couple of Hounds	Active Packs	Couple of Hounds	
England	53	900	England	20	160
U. S. A.	33	561	U. S. A.	24	192

This is probably the first time in history that there are actually more Beagles in registered active packs in America than there are in England. This comparison of course does not take into consideration the thousands of pure-bred Beagles in America owned by small owners, registered with the American Kennel Club and kept for shooting and field trial purposes.

The National Beagle Club of America will hold their 56th annual Field Trial at Institute Farm, Aldie, Virginia this year starting with the single stakes on November 8th and pack stakes on November 16th.... David B. Sharp, Jr., Master.

(Excerpt from A. Courtney Williams' The Modern Beagle, published in the September 8, 1945 "The Field".)

However, a perusal of the beagle section is illuminating. In the year 1938, the names of 53 packs are given, which between them in that year registered 657 puppies. The comparative figures for 1944 were 20 and 124. The latter figure reflected the improved war situation, since the number of puppies registered in the K. S. B. from 1941 to 1943 (both dates inclusive) averaged only 65 per annum, or just one-tenth of the number registered in the year before the war. As regards the numbers of packs, the position is even worse than the figures might suggest; for, whereas the average number of beagles per pack in 1938 was 17 couples, by 1944 very few hunts could muster half that number—and in many districts this was still further reduced by a widespread epidemic of distemper which ravished several kennels in that year.

From the above figures it seems probable that, in 1938, there were about 900 couples of pure-bred beagles in this country, and that by

1944 there were not more than 160 couples. The latter figure is obtained by allowing an average of 8 couples per pack, which may be much too high. My own beagles (The Springfield), for instance, owing to labour and feeding difficulties during the war, were reduced from 18 couples to 5 1/2, whilst recently the Master of a pack which was well known in pre-war days told me that he had just one hound left! All this must inevitably mean that there will be very few pure-bred beagles for disposal for some time to come, because the first consideration of anyone responsible for a pack which has survived the war must be to build it up again to something approaching its pre-war number, a task which may take three or four years.

Maintaining beagles from 1914 to 1918 must have been vastly easier than it was during the present war, and, consequently, the shortage of hounds cannot then have been as great as it is today. After the 1918 affair the price of stud-book beagles soared to great heights, and, since the demand now is certainly no less than it was then, it seems clear that for some time to come similar conditions will obtain.

Vernon-Somerset Beagles

Peapack, N. J.

The Vernon-Somerset Beagles started hunting the first Sunday in October. This begins the 33rd Season of regular uninterrupted sport, and the 23rd season for our Huntsman, Wilfred Atkinson. Hares seem to be very scarce this season and we have had great difficulty in finding any. The first Sunday we drew blank for two hours, and then finally found

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By Salvator

Stymie Swells Jacobs' Purse Another \$50,000 By Winning Empire's Westchester 'Cap

Stymie's turn came again last Saturday, when he won the \$50,000 Westchester Handicap at the Empire City—Jamaica meeting; this being the last of the series of the New York season with such a value attached. Once "super-events", there are now so many of this inflated variety that they attract no more attention—if as much—as a \$10,000 handicap did a few seasons ago.

Of the long list of them that have been decided in 1945, this was the third that has fallen to the now-famous grandson of Equipoise, whose history was related in this column, when, in the glad springtide, he was cutting a wide swath.

Since then his trial has been rather of a ragged one. After winning the Saratoga Cup, in August, he seemed to go stale and was beaten off in several races which, on his previous showing, he seemed to have "in the bag." But with the advent of frosty days he has returned to his early form and in the Westchester gave a fine account of himself as he assumed 125 lbs. and ran the mile and 3-16ths in 1:56 4-5, the record for the stake being 1:56 2-5 and for the track 1:56. Last season, when this handicap was but a \$25,000 affair, he ran third in it under 109 lbs.

Stymie's score for the season is now 16 starts, 7 wins, 4 seconds, 3 thirds and about \$175,000 in money, while his total earnings, to date, top the \$225,000 mark. As we have previously chronicled, he was bought out of a claiming race, as a two-year-old, for just \$1,500, having been tossed into it as of no account by his breeders and then-owners, the Klebergs, of the great King Ranche, in Texas, on the advice of his trainer, Max Hirsch.

The favorite for the Westchester Handicap was that other "rags-to-riches," story-book horse, First Fiddle, another ex-selling-plater bought out of a claiming race for a trifle by another trainer, Eddie Mulrenan, since when his earnings have topped the \$300,000 mark—a record for a racer with such a background. Incidentally, First Fiddle was the favorite for last Saturday's race, though top weight at 128 lbs. He ran unplaced.

Stymie runs in the name of Mrs. Hirsch Jacobs, wife of his trainer, the well-known Long Islander whose success in putting winners over for the past ten years has verged upon the phenomenal. But just who really owns him seems somewhat uncertain, as the many steeds in the Jacobs stable have, it is said, many different owners, some of whom

never appear in that role upon the entry-lists.

Be that as it may, the ownership of such a colt as Stymie is something that the most pompous turf magnate might feel proud of; as, beside the record he has compiled, this four-year-old is one of the raceliest-looking thoroughbreds of the season, runs without the unsightly blinkers that disfigure the heads of most campaigners, and is not only one of the season's biggest winners but one of its best stayers as well.

That the great filly Busher, the season's leading money-winner and by general consent the most remarkable performer of her sex seen in this country for many years, will be elected the "horse of the year" when the balloting takes place next month is a foregone conclusion. Meanwhile another chapter was added to her history last week—and one of the most unhappy.

When she went lame in her preparation for the \$75,000 Hollywood Gold Cup, a short time before its running, it was announced that her trouble—then given as a wrenched front ankle—was temporary only and that while she would be declared out of the Cup and her other late fall engagements, she would soon return to training for those in which she had been named during the great Santa Anita meeting which begins next month and including the \$100,000 handicap of that name.

It is customary, under similar circumstances, to minimize the in-

juries, lamenesses and break-downs of famous racers; so the light and airy way in which Busher's going amiss was treated deceived nobody who knew more than the superficial facts. They felt much more apprehension than the reports would give rise to—and, as it now turns out, with reason.

For the latest reports from her are to the effect that the "wrenched ankle" which was of a "trifling nature" has proved to be a splintered bone and that there is little hope that she will ever race again. Indeed it is already being talked that she will be retired to the stud and bred next spring.

Meanwhile her trainer, the veteran George Odom, and her owner, Louis B. Mayer, of "movie" fame and noted as the highest-salaried business executive in America, have agreed to part.

Odom is on his way back east to his old home and Mayer is looking for a new trainer—who, when he acquires him, will be something like the "steenth" that he has taken on since his comparatively recent assumption of the role of one of the big men of the turf world.

Both Odom and his ex-employer announce that they have parted with tears and kisses and fond farewells—or the equivalent—and that they hold each other in the most distinguished consideration. That is the stereotyped formula—for publicity—under such circumstances. It is unnecessary, therefore, for the sympathetic to send flowers.

William Ziegler Yearlings Brought To Burrland For Breaking

By June W. Badger

Tuesday, September 11, nine very disturbed yearlings were led into the upper half of the training stable at Burrland, William Ziegler, Jr.'s farm in Middleburg, Virginia. They were brought from the foaling barn a short mile distant.

The colts came first and settled down without too much fuss as some of them have been shipped over the country. The chestnut colt, by Pompey—Soft Lights, by Genie and the bay, by Tintagel—Hot Griddle, by Runantell, both home-bred, have not been off the farm since they were weanlings. They are big boned, rugged colts, the latter very typy with a lovely head and lean neck. The dam of the chestnut colt, Soft Lights, is also the dam of the 7-year-old Light of Morn, belonging to Mrs. Jacobs and trained by Hirsch Jacobs.

Her winnings in 1944 amounted to \$17,375 and up to date in 1945, \$10,925. Hot Griddle is dam of Hot Man, winner of 16 races to the end of 1944, and she is a sister of Quick Batter, dam of 3 winners including Esposa—19 wins and \$131,255.

The chestnut colt, by Milkman—Moving Star, by *North Star III,

should be resigned to a change of residence as he was purchased by Matt Brady, Mr. Ziegler's trainer, at Meadow Brook sales from the consignment of Mrs. Plunkett Stewart. The other two also came from the Meadow Brook sales, a bay bought by J. E. Davis from the consignment of C. F. Peters, by Sky Raider—Darter, by Dodge. Darter is also the dam of the winners, Wise Dart, Graustark, Erudite, Wise Timmie—and a chestnut from the North Cliff Farm consignment, belonging to Mr. Ziegler, a big stout colt, by Ivermark—Yellow Rose, by Jean Valjean, and Yellow Rose is a sister to the stake winner, Yellow Tulip.

The fillies came into the stable with much excitement, did not like their stalls, and made a great deal of noise, neighing back and forth, as this was the first time they had been separated by solid walls—a strange world, a short mile away.

The fillies are all bays. Two are by Flares, out of Matilda, by Sunair and out of Marching Home, she by John P. Grier—Warrior Lass, by Man o' War. Marching Home is one of Mr. Ziegler's best mares, winner

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Breeding Notes

On the 17th of November the 9th running of the Pimlico Special takes place. It is a race of 1 1-16 miles, weight for age for horses which the Maryland Jockey Club considers the best of the year. It is purely an invitation race and 11 thoroughbreds have been honored. Four of the horses so honored are out of training and the invitations are complimentary. They are Louis B. Mayer's Busher and Thumbs Up, F. W. Hooper's Hoop Jr. and Greentree Stable's Devil Diver—the last two will enter the stud. Busher's racing may be at an end as she has fractured a shin bone according to the latest report. So many races and so little time.

The other 7 horses to participate are Warren W. Wright's Pot o' Luck, and Armed, Mrs. Edward Mulrenan's First Fiddle, Mrs. E. D. Jacobs' Stymie, Mrs. P. A. B. Widener's Polynesian, W. L. Brann's Gallotte and the Maine Chance Farm's War Date. The race is sporting event—the winner takes all, a purse of \$25,000 and the Maryland Jockey Gold Cup. In the event of a walk-over, as when Whirlaway quietly galloped the course in 1942, the purse will be \$10,000 and \$1,000 to the trainer. War Admiral won the 1st Pimlico Special and Twilight Tear in 1944.

On Monday, October 29, Mrs. R. A. Van Cleef, of the Nydrie Stud, Esmont, Virginia, bred 3 of the day's winners, Hightfortidies, by *Jacopo—Ensigns Up, by Gallant Sir, won the 2nd race at Jamaica; Patrician, by Pompey the 2nd race at Pimlico, and Surf Rider, also by Pompey, the 3rd race at Rockingham Park.

Charles A. Stone of Charlottesville bred 2 winners Mrs. J. Barry's chaser, Rum Ration, a son of Hard Tack won the brush race on Pimlico's card and the flat horse, River Wolf, also by Hard Tack, won the 7th race at Rockingham, a 1 1-16 mile claiming race for 3-year-olds and up.

Two additional Virginia-breds took honors at Pimlico, Margus, the winner of the 1st race was bred by John S. Phipps, near Middleburg and the chestnut gelding, Curly, by Chestnut Oak, winner of the 4th, was bred by John P. Jones, Charlottesville.

New Jersey sent 2 to the winner's circle. V. S. Bragg's Proof Coil accounted for his 3rd straight victory in the Fishkill Handicap at Jamaica. He was bred by Mrs. D. V. Kellogg of Pennington. Woodland Farm, Red Bank, bred Royal Flush, by Knave High. She won the Class D allowance race of 1 1-16 miles at Pimlico.

Warren Wright's Calumet Farm has reserved 60 stalls at Hialeah for the season, Fred W. Hooper has 37. Requests for space for 3,500

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JERVIS SPENCER STEEPELCHASE HANDICAP

(Photos Courtesy Pimlico)



With 15 entries, the Jervis Spencer Steeplechase Handicap was run in 2 divisions on Wednesday, October 31 at Pimlico. Above is the winner of the last division, *Boojum II (No. 1A), with Jockey J. Magee up, followed by Jockey E. Roberts and Bill Coffman, the latter finishing 4th.



The winning color-bearer for Mrs. F. A. Clark stands in the winner's circle. *Boojum II is by Embargo—Alison, by Triumph or *Roi Herode.



Unknown before at Pimlico was the running of a 2nd division in a steeplechase. Leading the eventual winner, Mercator, No. 5 is No. 6, Chesapeake with Jockey J. McGovern up.



The 6-year-old son of Annapolis—*Ponova, by Pommern and Jockey W. Leonard take a bow while owner W. H. Lipscomb holds on to the bridle of the winner.



Presentation of the 1st division of the steeplechase is made by Harry Parr III, president of The Maryland Jockey Club, to *Boojum II's trainer, J. E. Ryan as Jockey Magee looks on.



Mercator's owner was there to receive his trophy from Mr. Parr as Trainer W. G. "Billy" Jones displays a wide grin and Jockey Leonard helps balance the bowl.

AT THE OVALS

(Photos by Morgan)



Reply Paid could not head Stymie on Saturday but in their previous start, The Gallant Fox Handicap, Stymie had bowed to Reply Paid, finishing 5th. Bred by Harry F. Guggenheim, the 3-year-old bay colt by Questionnaire—Lady Johren, by *Johren had won 4 out of 16 starts for purses totaling \$66,045. His stamina was shown in running the fastest 1½ miles at Belmont Park and winning the 2½ mile New York Handicap.



The Westchester Handicap was the feature of Empire City's last day at Jamaica. The winner of this event was Mrs. E. D. Jacobs' Stymie. In 2nd place was Dan Chappell's Buzfuz, a 3-year-old bay gelding by Zacawesta—Polyata, by Polyder. Buzfuz has won 8 out of 20 outings, accumulating \$66,690, his latest victory being in the Scarsdale 'Cap on October 27.



Lt. Edward Lasker's Athene has made quite a name for herself and up to winning the Selma Stakes at the recent Laurel meeting, she had accounted for the Belmont Park Futurity and the Matron Stakes. This dark bay 2-year-old filly by *Helipolis—Tophorn, by *Bull Dog, was bred by Coldstream Stud and is trained by Max Hirsch.

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Blockade Memorial Cup Won By Arthur Meigs' Miltiades Large Entries Put Pimlico 'Chase In 2 Divisions

Six Horses, Sixteen Fences Five Spills Mark Maryland's First Timber Race In 3 Years

By Frances Rockefeller

We don't share "Bango" Patterson's sentiment on flat horses as "six furlong vermin that scamper half a mile with a featherweight up," because we love flat racing. But now that the wars are over we're sure the timber horse is here again to stay, and we hope the Blockade Memorial Cup, as an annual event, is here to stay too.

Six horses, sixteen fences and five spills over three miles of natural hunting country on the estate of C. E. Tuttle, at Garrison, Maryland, made up the thrilling scene on Friday, November 2nd.

Arthur I. Meig's Miltiades, piloted by Joe Ferguson, won the first leg on the Challenge Trophy presented by Mr. Tuttle. Miltiades and Joe were the only pair to negotiate the course without mishap. Big Boot lost Collie Gill at the 2nd. Clifton's Duke and Fred Colwill parted company at the 8th, Iron Mould went down at the 11th and Sawbuck and Laddie Murray fell over him. Sentry and his owner, W. E. Carroll tumbled at the 12th. Mike Smithwick remounted Iron Mould to finish 2nd, but Laddie Murray was picked up with a broken collar bone. Fred Colwill found his horse and came home for 3rd.

It was the first timber race in Maryland for nearly three years and the maiden for some of the horses and their riders. The race would not have been except out of sentiment for and the greatness of a little Man o'War son, Blockade.

He was light in bone and light in the middle. He would train to mere skin and bone. He was bored to death on the flat and no one could blame Mrs. Sloan and Brookmeade, his breeder, for selling him, nor the Virginia dealer for feeling no particular loss in letting E. Reed Beard bring him up to Maryland in 1935.

It was Janon Fisher, Jr.'s expert eye and love for the Man o'War strain which provided the attention and care that brought along Blockade into his own. Mrs. Beard sent him to Janon in 1936. Then Master of the Green Spring, Janon hunted him a few times in a snaffle. The little chestnut would be most disagreeable with hounds and horses running up close. It wasn't his line.

Blockade ran a few races in '36 and '37, but did nothing to write to Middleburg about. He fell in the Maryland both years.

In 1938 it was a different story. He not only reached the top, but made a new top of his own. Blockade's record of 8:44 over the four-mile, 22 fence Maryland Hunt Cup Course that year was 7 3/5 seconds better than that of the great Troublemaker and Noel Laing there six years before. Among others he won the Grand National, the New Jersey Hunt Cup, the R. Penn Smith at Middleburg, and the Maryland Hunt Cup in 1938, '39 and '40. Fred Colwill rode him for Mrs. Beard. Fred and Blockade did so well together that Fred's father-in-law, Mr. Tuttle bought the horse. In 1942, in the Virginia Gold Cup, the great

For the first time in the history of Pimlico the steeplechase race was run in 2 divisions in the Jervis Spencer Steeplechase Handicap, Wednesday, October 31, due to the unusual number of entries—15—with a purse of \$10,000 added in each race.

The race was named in honor of a Maryland man who was racing commissioner and later chairman of the commission. As an amateur rider he was one of the top and "the great hero of the Maryland Hunt Cup", which he won 5 times between 1901 and 1919, 3 times on Garry Owen.

Eight started in the 1st division, among them Mrs. F. A. Clark's entry of three, *Boojum II, Raylyn and Royal Archer, Mrs. S. C. Clark, Jr.'s Bill Coffman and M. A. Cushman's Rouge Dragon. *Boojum II, a small bay horse with a deep girth, looked tight and ready, Bill Coffman, in good flesh, despite his nerves, and Rouge Dragon, his chestnut coat gleaming, walks on springs, carrying top weight of 154 pounds. Rigan McKinney's Navigate was in too with his new rider E. A. Russell under whom he won his last 2 starts. Navigate is not a handsome horse but has a great length from hip to butt. Brookmeade Stable's Greek Flag in top condition, carried the low weight of 130 as did Mrs. Henry Obre's dripping mare Beneksar.

Bill Coffman ran in front as usual; the pace fast with Royal Archer pushing him. He held to it over the 12th jump where *Boojum II, coming from behind passed him to finish 2 lengths in front of his stablemate, Raylyn, which had also come from behind. Rouge Dragon ran in 3rd position most of the way and finished there, while Bill Coffman faded to 4th between the last jump and the wire. Navigate, well up, fell at the 14th fence.

The 2nd division was the next race carded and 6 of the jockeys rode again. Seven horses started including the Lipscomb owned Mercator

timber horse's hind feet slipped at the take-off of the 17th jump, sending him crashing to the ground and ending a record breaking career.

"He had nice, clear brown eyes," Janon Fisher, Jr. says, "so clear they sparkled. Maybe that is why he could place himself so well at his jumps. Good shoulders, powerful quarters and stifles let him stand back unbelievably far to jump. One day, standing near the stable, we saw Blockade jump out of the stallion paddock of 5'-0" board fence into the next paddock. It was still a dull place to be, the great horse must have thought, because he took off over the corner of the two paddocks to get outside. And outside he got, too. It was hard to believe. We measured the marks from take off to landing—42 feet." Janon showed me the place. I believe him, too.

Summaries

- 1st running Blockade Memorial Cup, Garrison, Md., about 3 miles over timber. Challenge Trophy to winner. Winner: B. g. (11), by Rathbeale—"Honey Girl."
1. Miltiades, (Arthur I. Meigs), 150, J. Ferguson.
2. Iron Mould, (W. Ewings), 153, Mr. Michael Smithwick.
3. Cliftons Duke, (Lawrence E. Jones), 150, Mr. J. F. Colwill.
- Also ran: Fell: W. E. Carroll's Sentry, 148, Mr. Carroll (12); William Ewings' Iron Mould, 153, Mr. Michael Smithwick (11); Janon Fisher, Jr.'s Sawbuck, 140, Mr. B. E. R. Murray (over Iron Mould). 16 jumps. No scratches.

and so far the top 'chaser of the year and T. T. Mott's big brown gelding, Floating Isle, the winner of 6 races. They carried the top weights of 153 and 152 pounds respectively. Unlike *Boojum II, Mercator took the lead and jumping magnificently held it during the two laps of the course. There was a slight confusion after the 1st fence which put Jockey Kratz off balance and he left his horse, Great Flare to gallop alone among the leaders. He was too close to Mercator for Jockey Leonard's comfort and the boy tried to

frighten him back with his bat, but he came on to jump his fences, luckily without too much interference to other horses. Mercator kept a clear lead with Mrs. R. H. Crawford's Kennebunk, Floating Isle and Mrs. E. D. Weir's *Burma Road some 3 lengths behind. The last time around on the backstretch, Floating Isle was tiring and Howard Cruz resorted to the bat. Kennebunk a length ahead of him was still reaching for the bit and showed signs of coming on when he stepped in the Liverpool and lost Emmett Roberts, leaving the way clear for the big brown gelding. Bayard Sharp's Lieut. Well came up from 5th position with *Burma Road

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Six Race Program Draws Top Entries At Montpelier, Va.

Six races are on the program at Montpelier, Virginia with post time for the first race at 1:15, Saturday, November 10th. All of the purses have been raised this year and the feature of the day, the Noel Laing Steeplechase for \$1,500 has drawn 10 entries. Corrigan, 143, Lone Herbert 138, Navigate 142, Bisby 143, Beneksar 147, Dancing Archie 133, Parma 147, Pursuit Plane 144, Galley Boy 145 and Annotator 150, complete the entries for the third and feature race, over the steeplechase course.

Those entered for the Montpelier Cup with a purse of \$800 to be run over the steeplechase course for three year olds are Accra 134, Gratis 135, Fieldfare 145, Lone Herbert 131*, 7 pounds claimed for rider, Dancing Archie 138, Tourist List 148, Scurry Gal 134 and Kittiwake 138, 7 pounds claimed for rider.

M. B. Goff, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, bred the son of Flint Shot, Twink Shot, which accounted for the 2nd race at Pimlico.

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Editorials

THE MASTER OF HOUNDS

Opening meets the first of November mark the first formal test of hounds, organization and all of the work that devolves upon the Master and his staff during the summer months. It is a big responsibility to furnish sport and there are so many things so completely beyond his control, let alone all of those things that he must have in perfect shape to create good hunting, that a successful opening meet is always one which should bring praise and credit to each and every Master of Hounds who has the good fortune to bring a good hunt to ass on an opening day.

This Friday Piedmont's Master, Dr. Archie Cary Randolph, M. F. H. for 25 years, supplied a field of forty or fifty with as fine hunting as could be expected anywhere. Two good runs, one fox put to earth, one killed. The country is marvelously well panelled in this part of Virginia and as a result of the cooperation of a number of big landowners the Field was able to enjoy grass practically the whole day. The only territory in which there is more grass in the United States is that of the President of the MFHA, Mr. Stewart's Cheshire country in Pennsylvania, where followers hunt all day and never go off of pasture land. The developments of such countries as these takes years and years of painstaking effort, diplomacy and constant thought, for every time a panel is broken on someone's field it means a job on the Master's part, men to mend it, new timber and a word of apology to the owner. The same when wheat is ridden over, the same when thoughtless people ride over someone's lawn in their taste to keep up with hounds.

It is a complicated business, that of keeping a country open, and not enough members of the Field give enough credit or enough thought to the job facing every Master of Hounds. Nor do they give him sufficient cooperation to make his job less arduous. Many's the time followers of hounds could stop to put up a dropped rail on their way home or lend the services of a groom, out hilltopping on a green one, to follow the hunt and put back rails as they are dropped during the day, but how many members think to offer such a trivial service?

During the summer the country has had to be cared for, the foxes looked to, horses found for the hunt staff and hounds entered, trained and kept in good health. There are about as many things to think about and keep in order as a first class diplomat has to deal with in one of our big embassies and the personalities and problems get just about as involved for everywhere the Master turns there are other people's feelings to consider, other people's worries and damages made by other people's carelessness.

For some reason hunt followers always seem to be in a rush and under a tension in preparing for an opening meet. Trousers are tight, boots don't fit after a summer in jodhpurs, horses are late, riders are late, cars are late, tempers grow short and people grow fidgety. Then many people wonder why there is all of the fuss, why so much time and energy expended in turning out well at an opening meet or in

fact any meet? Just then it is time to remember that to turn out well is just one way of paying one's respect to a Master who has had to be dealing with the organization of this day which each follower is invited to attend, and he has not had to struggle with it for a few moments before the hunt, as an exasperated follower struggles with an inflexible stock, but the Master struggles with it a good many days and a good many nights every month in the year.

When people query stiff habits, pink coats, shiny boots and all of the paraphernalia that go to make the opening meet and every meet, why not ask the question, too, does it make the day brighter, gayer? Does it make it more of an occasion? In short doesn't it look better to take the trouble to look well? And if it does, it is worth the trouble, because the Master has gone to a lot of trouble to bring this day about for each one. Why not look as if we appreciate his trouble? It's his party and we're his guests and the more consideration shown him, the easier it is to provide the sport which everyone wants to have. Cooperation is the word for good hunting and more of it, because it is a complicated business and growing increasingly so.

Letters to the Editor

Give Credit Where Credit's Due

31 October 1945

Dear Editor:

I have been the startled recipient of several phone calls congratulating me for having written the article on "Pre-War Maguire," which appeared in the October 19th issue of The Chronicle. I have been immensely flattered by the attention, but I think it is only fair that I should make it clear (as The Chronicle did not) that the author was Mr. W. A. S. Douglas, well-known columnist for the Chicago Sun, in whose pages the selection first appeared. If anyone cares to make a phone call to me in praise of my having submitted the article to The Chronicle, well, I will be glad to accept whatever credit adheres to that. I might even accept the toll charges. But, in any case, let us give credit where credit is due.

Sincerely,
JOHN PORTZ.

Evanston, Illinois.

The Horse Laugh

Editor, The Chronicle
Middleburg, Va.

Here is a carbon of a letter I wrote to Mr. Luce, the editor of LIFE, and a tear sheet of the article that got the rise. I do hope you print some answer to it, because it's too bad to keep quiet about—and if you would like to print mine, you certainly have my permission.

Sincerely,
Jean McClure Hanna
October 27th.

Henry Luce, Esq.
LIFE Magazine
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Luce:

There is a good article to be published about the present over-inflated state of betting at the tracks today and the type of Patrons it is attracting—but LIFE has certainly not published it. The article entitled The Race Horse in the October 22nd issue pretends to crusade against the evils of betting, but actually it expresses the author's personal peeve against horses and horse people. It is as adolescent an expression of misinformation, as arrant a piece of self-indulgence as the unwelcome sight of a sucker blowing his wad on a hot tip.

If it weren't so funny, it would be serious. The picture of the editor as a small boy who has just fallen off his pony standing screaming with all the impotent and misdirected wrath of a spoiled and frightened child "I hate the horse. I hate the horse! He hurted me!" rises irresis-

tibly before my eyes every time I start to get sore. For the degree of ignorance displayed combined with the panicky venom against all horses bespeaks early, personal bodily terror and indignity, unforgiveable and unforgotten.

But it is serious enough, at that. For a news magazine to publish one ignorant, biased and very nearly hysterical editorial gives rise to the thought that many others must have been and will be equally unreliable. LIFE can no longer be counted on for an honest story, carefully verified. Its space and authority are being used to express an individual complex—and that is not funny.

To argue point by point would be as exhausting and futile as reasoning with the screaming child—but after all the child isn't distributing his considered thoughts in print to a public of some millions who have paid their dimes to be informed, and some of the editor's excursions into the realms of crowd reactions and horse lore are too startling to pass up. The editor states confidently that there is no emotional participation on the part of the spectator in a horse race! Lives there another man with soul so dead that he would agree with the editor? Does a field of magnificent horses thundering down the stretch in the full glory of their strength and beauty and courage, ready to burst their hearts to do their jockeys' bidding, really fail to lift any one but the editor's heart? Does anyone really agree with the editor that because he cannot put himself in the horse's place, not being one, he cannot share emotionally in the triumph, whether he has a bet on the winner or not? This singular pride of Narcissism, this inability to see beauty and feel excitement unless one can see oneself in the stellar role, seems dangerously close to a neurosis—but perhaps it is just another evidence of an adolescent, though fierce, concentration on self.

I wonder, too, what intrinsic value there is in watching a baseball or football game that seeing a race has not? Yet the editor classes these games as sports, but racing as a phony. A ball is hit or pushed or thrown around a circumscribed pattern in accordance with a carefully contrived set of rules requiring great skill, strength, speed, daring, and training. Nothing of cosmic importance is accomplished, except an exhibition of man's muscle, eye, and brain, acting in coordination. The additional miracle of an animal's speed, courage, and training, plus the almost mystic relation of man to mount which requires the greatest coordination of all, makes the conditions tougher, the odds greater.

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The Tack Room Bench



California Questions Classifications Of Hunters In Trials

By "Hark Forrad"

Now that the season has started, we are beginning to see in the field the really top hunters, what old John Mills called "the flyers of the hunt". During the cubbing season many people have been getting their young horses used to hounds or have been riding a battle scarred pensioner, no longer able to go the pace, but a really safe conveyance when fences are still blind from the summer's growth of weeds. As the days grow cooler and foxes begin to run farther afield, however, we must bring out our best in the way of horseflesh if we are to stay with hounds.

The sight of these top hunters, some of them still with a bit of a grass belly left from their summer on pasture, makes us think of the horses that we have seen at the summer shows and wonder how the two groups would stack up if we could see them together. The problem of getting our top hunters into the show ring, is one that many horse show committees have wrestled with, on the whole not too successfully. During the last ten years an effort has been made to attract such horses by means of working hunter classes, in which the courses are designed to reproduce as nearly as possible the conditions of the hunting field (in itself a pretty difficult thing to do) and conformation is usually not considered. On the whole these classes have not been particularly successful in bringing out bona fide hunters, and usually are won by the same horses that win the conformation classes.

It is not the fault of the show secretaries, that our top hunters don't appear in the ring. The real obstacle is the time of year. After a hard season a hunter needs a rest. Most hunting men don't feel like getting their favorites up and in show shape in the middle of summer. They have enough to do from October to April. If we want to see our hunters in competition, we must have more shows, hunter trials and point-to-points in the late autumn and early spring when they are sure to be in work anyway. The recent Middleburg show (Oct. 27th) attracted more bona fide hunters than had been seen all summer and is a good example of what can be done with proper timing.

Hunter trials, even more than horse shows, seem the best vehicle to show our hunters, however. It is possible to lay out a hunter trial course that will include practically every type of obstacle and terrain to be met with in a given hunting country. They can be held when the

weather is colder and, in fact, if the course is a proper length, the weather has to be fairly cool for the comfort of both horses and riders. It is by no means too late to hold a few more hunter trials this season. Unfortunately the plans for the Maryland Hunter Trials had to be abandoned, but there is no reason why local events should not be organised to take its place, even if not on so ambitious a scale.

Recently I had a letter from that fine horseman Col. F. W. Koester, commanding officer of the Remount Depot at Pomona, California, saying that the California State Horseman's Association is drawing up a set of rules to standardise competition in that state and asking for suggestions as to proper conditions for hunter trials. He explained that present conditions vary widely, due in part to the fact that, because of the climate, fox hunting is almost impossible in California and there are no organised hunts. Many committees in the past have constructed courses which have had very little resemblance to actual conditions in the hunting field, but have been rather to the Olympic type.

Col. Koester's request was presented in the form of specific questions. After consulting with Mrs. George P. Greenhalgh, a member of the Hunter Committee of the American Horse Shows Association and herself a most enthusiastic foxhunter, we sent back the following answers:

WHAT CLASSIFICATION OF HUNTERS FOR HUNTER TRIALS DO YOU RECOMMEND?

The classification should be made as broad as possible so that one horse may compete in several classes. No one likes to van a horse a considerable distance to compete in only one class where he may be thrown out because of bad luck. Suggestions: thoroughbred, half-bred, lightweight, heavyweight, junior hunters, ladies hunters, stake class, pair class (one horse to follow the other and order to be reversed halfway through the course).

WHAT IN GENERAL SHOULD BE THE DISTANCES FOR THE TRIALS FOR EACH CLASSIFICATION?

Minimum, three quarters of a mile; maximum, a mile and a half.

THE MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM NUMBER AND HEIGHT OF OBSTACLES RECOMMENDED. ALSO THE GENERAL NATURE OF THE OBSTACLES?

Minimum, 9 jumps; maximum 12 jumps. Height, 3 feet minimum, 4 feet maximum, average 3 feet, 9 inches. The fences should be characteristic of a hunting country (avoid Olympic type). Suggestions: post and rail, snake fence, chicken coop, stone wall, pole in gateway, ditch and fence, jump a brook, jump into a pen at one point and out at another, jump two fences at right angles, open and close gate, lead over a fence etc.

RULES OR METHODS YOU RECOMMEND FOR SCORING?

Ticks not to count, fair hunting pace, manners and way of going, general smoothness of performance. Extra consideration to be given to manners in junior and ladies classes.

DO YOU RECOMMEND:

(1) **KEEPING TIME?** No; judge on basis of fair hunting pace only.
(2) **RUNNING SEVERAL EN-**

TRIES TOGETHER AND ROTATING POSITIONS? This is practicable only in pair classes.

(3) **PRELIMINARY SHOWING OF ENTRIES FOR CONFORMATION AND SOUNDNESS?** No. Conformation should not be considered and only hunting soundness required. It is better to determine the latter during and after competition, rather than before.

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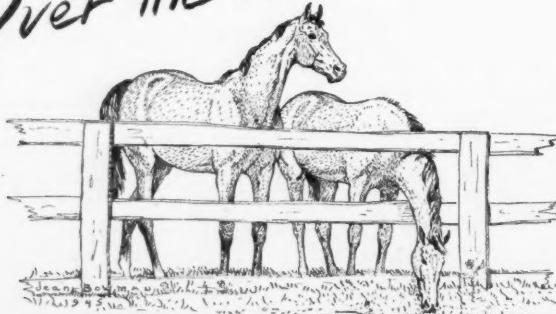
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WITH OUR CONTEMPORARY EDITORS

Common Belief That Indians Rode Without Saddles Dispelled By Writer Who Says All Tribes Were Accustomed To Spanish-Type

One of the myths most prevalent about the noble redmen is that they rode without saddles. Just how it started is impossible to say. The colored lithographs of Currier and Ives and their successors, the cigarette pictures of our youth, may be responsible. Be that as it may, the actual practice of the Indians is well described by D. E. Worcester in a recent issue of THE HORSE.

It is a common belief in America that the Indians of this continent always rode without saddles. Actually, all of the horse-using tribes knew how to make saddles, and very few horsemen chose to ride without them.

Indian saddles generally were of two main types. The earliest saddles known to the Indians were those stolen from the Spaniards, so it is not unusual that their first saddles were patterned after the Spanish ones. These saddles had wooden trees, and stirrups of iron or raw-hide-covered wood. The other type of Indian saddle was merely two pads of leather, filled with animal hair, and joined together so as to fit over a horse's back. The stirrups were of wood or of rope. In flight, if a man were fleeing for his life and needed to get the utmost from his horse, he might ride bareback.

Many of the Indians of the Southwest owned saddles and bridles stolen from the Spaniards. In battle, those Indians used leather armor on their horses, after the manner of Spanish soldiers. The horse-using Indians seen by the French in eastern Texas and the Plains all used saddles and bridles, generally of

Spanish style. Not all of them could obtain Spanish gear, and they began using a piece of horse hair rope around the horse's lower jaw for a bridle. The Hasinai used rope bridles around 1700, and some of them had for saddles a few folds of deer skin, with a piece of rope serving for a stirrup.

In the Southeast, where horses were acquired from the Spaniards of Florida, the Indians also made saddles after the Spanish fashion. They used white oak boards for making trees, and covered them with green buffalo hide. A trimmed bearskin served as a pad. Formerly their bridle was only a rope around the animal's neck.

The Blackfeet Indians, one of the first horse-using tribes of the Northwest, made hair halters, and used buffalo skin pads and rope stirrups for saddles. The saddles of the Northwestern tribes were of wood, well-joined and covered with rawhide, or the pad type, stuffed with moose or red deer hair. The wooden saddle frame rose about ten inches before and behind, and the tops were bent over horizontally forming a flat pommel about six inches in diameter. The stirrups were made of hide-covered leather, and were attached by a leather thong. When a man rode on one of these saddles he first threw his buffalo robe over it; otherwise it would have been too uncomfortable. Under both types of saddles were placed several folds of soft dressed buffalo skin which served as a saddle blanket.

The Crow Indians were skillful saddle-makers. The saddles they made for the women and children

had cantles which reached as high as between the shoulders of the rider.

Spanish saddles were seen among the Blackfeet and other tribes as far north as the Canadian border, and there is no doubt that these saddles served as models for the Indian saddles.

The Indians west of the Rockies used the same kinds of saddles as those used in other areas. Spanish bridles were rare in this region: hair ropes generally served this purpose.

In view of the many early accounts of Indian saddles that exist, it is curious how such a myth developed. Probably some popular paintings depicting mounted warriors were responsible for the birth of the misconception that Indians rode

bareback. Even when the Indians went on foot on extended horse-stealing raids, though it was necessary for them to be unencumbered, they generally carried empty leather pads. These they filled with grass when they were about to make off with their enemies' horses. Nevertheless, the popular belief probably always will picture the Indian as a rider whose tough skin and hardy nature made him insensitive to the torture which the constant chafing of a bareback horse would have given him.

Ned Chase's Cover Drawing

Lithograph copies of the drawing of the Middlebury Hunt used on our front cover this week, can be gotten from Ned Chase in Woodstock, N. Y.

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The meet was at Benton on November 3rd for Middleburg Hunt. Making final plans before the hunt started were, left to right, D. C. Sands and Miss Charlotte Noland, Joint-Masters, Fred Embrey, whip and Robert Maddox, huntsman.



Orange County Hunt Club met at 10 o'clock on the 3rd at the Oliver Filleys, near The Plains. Waiting with hounds for the appointed time to arrive were Mrs. R. B. Young, acting M. F. H. and Sterling Leach, Huntsman.

CAPTAIN WINMILL



The official hunting season opened around Middleburg on Friday, November 2 when Piedmont Fox Hounds met at Five-Point. Hounds moved off before a picture could be obtained but two lady members were snapped. At the left is Mrs. A. C. Randolph, wife of the M. F. H. and at the right is Mrs. Amory Perkins, a regular with Piedmont, Orange and Middleburg.



Captain Allen Townsend Winmill, enthusiastic foxhunting son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Winmill of Warrenton, Virginia and New York City, has been listed as a casualty by the War Department. Captain Winmill, a co-pilot on a C-87 Liberator express transport plane, crashed in northern Burma on October 10, 1944 on a return flight from China to India.

BACK TO HORSES
(Photo Public Relations Section)



Col. Charles A. Sheldon, El Paso, Texas, Chief of Staff, 1st Cavalry Division, the first cavalry officer to remount after entering Tokyo. Col. Sheldon is shown on the Olympic-trained horse which he rides every morning, adding tradition and pleasant memories to this present tour of duty.

COL. CHEFF AND PRINCITA



Col. P. T. Cheff is shown riding his Princita at the Castle Park Horse Show held on August 29th. Pictured in the hunters over outside course event, the combination took second place over a total of twenty-two entries.

CHAMPIONS AT GREEN BRIAR
(Photos by Carl Klein)



At the Green Briar Horse Show, held October 28 at Dunellen, New Jersey, Albert Torek was an owner-rider on Royal John to annex the champion hunter honors.



Hutchinson Farms' Peg's Pride was the outstanding jumper at the above show for the tri-color. Peggy Johnson was the rider.

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horses have come into the Racing Secretary's office, 500 more than in 1944.

Lt. Edward Lasker, the owner of this year's winner of Laurel's Selima Stakes, Athene, by *Heliopolis-Tophorn by *Bull Dog owns another *Heliopolis, a chestnut colt out of Brave Maid, by Man o' War. He purchased the colt from Martin Vogel Warrenton, Virginia who had bought the mare already bred at the fall sales in Kentucky.

The \$25,000 Pimlico Cup Handicap at a distance of 2 1-2 miles, on November 30 has 2 entries from the ranks of the steeplechasers, Rouge Dragon and Great Flare.

On Tuesday Havahome's Stable's Eurasian, a brown horse, by *Quatre Bras II, took a second off the track record in the 2 1-16 miles overnight Dangerfield Handicap. He was bred by Mrs. Barclay Douglas of New York.

Five Virginia-breds distinguished themselves at various tracks. At Pimlico Mrs. C. Myers' Woodbuck, bred by Alfred L. Leach, Happy Creek, won the 7th race and Mrs. J. Sturgeon's Silver Run won the steeplechase of the day. This is his 3rd straight victory. He is by *Gino-Sun Miss, by *Sun Briar and was bred at Court Manor Stud, the farm of the late Willis Sharpe Kilmer. There *Gino, *Sun Briar and others stood and Exterminator spent some of his final days. Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart of Rolling Plains Farm, The Plains, bred the black son of Milkman, Milk Route, the winner of the 3rd race at Rockingham. The race ended in a dead heat and W. H. Lipscomb Raspberry Plain, Lexington, bred the second winner, Psyche Rate. Mr. Lipscomb, also the owner of the top ranking 'chaser, Mercator, is called "Shorty" by his friends as he is well over 6 feet and can be easily spotted at the track as he looms majestically above the rest of us.

Mrs. George A. Garrett, Marshall, bred the bay mare, Brocade, by Cloth o'Gold, which stands at Hilton Village, Virginia. She won the last race at Rockingham by a head.

The Keeneland race track at Lexington, Kentucky will open again in the spring and the Blue Grass Stakes will be renewed, also 4 more barns added to the stabling.

A report comes from Melbourne, Australia that Alfred R. Porter, owner of St. Fairy will ship him to America for the Santa Anita Handicap, March 9—that is if he wins the Melbourne Cup, November 6, or runs a good race. The top ranking jockey, Arthur Preasly, will come along to ride him. Phar Lap came from Australia in 1932 to win the Agua Caliente Handicap.

On Wednesday, 3 Virginia-breds took 1st money for the day, D. Giuliano's Pacolet, bred by R. Sterling Clark, Upperville, won the 3-4 mile allowance race for 3-year-olds at Jamaica; Sungino, by *Gino and bred by the late Willis Sharpe Kilmer, won the last race at the above track; and Thomas H. Somerville bred the good 'chaser, Mercator, winner of the 2nd division of the Jervis Spencer.

Mrs. D. G. Smith's Audible won the race for 3-year-olds foaled in

Maryland. He is by Busy Wire—Grace Darling, by Golden Broom and Janon Fisher, Jr. bred him. Another Maryland-bred, Russardo, by *Challenger II, won the 1 1-16 mile allowance race for 3-year-olds. He won his last start and has given a pretty good accounting of himself this year, placing 11 times in his 16 starts.

Mrs. Harold M. Lewis of Nashua, New Hampshire, bred the good 2-year-old, Phone Me, a chestnut colt by Petee-Wrack. He has started twice this year and won both times, the last in the 3-4 mile allowance race for 2-year-olds. Alvin T. Untermyer Connecticut bred the winner, Ebro, of the 3rd race at Rockingham, and William duPont, Jr., of Delaware, bred Golden Thorn, by Rosemont. Golden Thorn accounted for the 7th race, his second consecutive race.

The Maryland Jockey Club has raised the purses in three major stakes, the Pimlico Futurity from \$15,000 to \$25,000, the Marguerite for 2-year-old fillies from \$7,500 to \$15,000 and the Heiser Handicap

for Maryland-breds, all ages, from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

George M. Odom, (picture in October 21st issue of The Chronicle) who trains for Louis B. Mayer, the owner of Busher, has resigned his post and will come east again. Graceton Philpot, a former rider and one of the best known trainers on the West Coast, will take his place. He had trained for the Mayer stable before the war.

Polynesian has gone to the country for a bit of rest and relaxation before he starts in the Pimlico Special. His trainer, Morris Dixon, has sent him to the farm in Newtown Square, Pennsylvania. It seems a very wise and sensible move as most horses are apt to be over trained.

The syndicate of Los Angeles turfman have recently purchased 5 thoroughbreds from Ireland and all five will be nominated for the Santa Anita Handicap, March 9. The first winner of the Santa Anita was an Irish-bred horse, Azucar. The 5 are Colomb's Kingdom, Mafosta, Ba-zooka, War Again and Lou Signal.

From London we hear that Gordon Richards, the leading jockey of England has won his 3,000th race as of October 31. He is the outstanding jockey of England and has ridden 200 or more winners every season from 1925 to 1940, and has held the enviable position of being the

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By A. Mackay-Smith

Two weeks ago we considered the advisability of putting most of the arable land on our grazing farms in hay, that being the most profitable and useful crop we can raise. Sun curing of hay being so uncertain, we outlined some of the other methods to take its place, now being studied, and promised further information. The problem has by no means been fully solved, but the system so far showing the greatest promise is mow curing.

Mow curing is accomplished by forcing air through the hay by means of a duct system on the floor of a barn mow, the air being supplied by a fan. The principles of mow curing were developed by the Tennessee Valley Authority and much further work has been done by the University of Tennessee, Purdue University and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg. A main duct with a system of laterals, which are merely inverted troughs raised an inch or two off the ground, may be placed in the center or at one side of the mow, depending on whether the side walls are low or high, or a second floor of slats may be built on top of the regular floor.

Most installations, including ducts, fan and motor (available for other farm purposes most of the year) will run between \$300 and \$600, depending, of course, on the size of the mow floor. Based on electricity at 2 1-2 cents a kilowatt hour, power costs will run from 90 cents to \$1.40 a ton of hay reduced to 20 per cent moisture content.

Loose, chopped and baled hay has been successfully cured by this method, which consists in bringing in the hay when the sun has reduced its moisture content to 35 or 40 per cent. At this stage the carotene content is still high. It is while the sun is reducing the moisture content from 40 to 20 per cent that the principal loss of carotene occurs. Ordinary hay loses further carotene when it goes through a sweat in the mow. This does not occur when the hay is cured with cold air. Forty per cent hay retains most of its leaves, which are much the most valuable part of the hay both for general feeding value and carotene content. Sun cured hay is apt to lose a large proportion of its leaves. Consequently, mow-cured hay is considerably superior in feeding value to sun-cured hay.

Other advantages to mow curing are the elimination of the danger of spontaneous combustion and the fact that, since the hay cures from

the bottom up, one has only to feel the top to know when the curing process has been completed. Last but not least, the danger of losing the crop, due to unfavorable weather conditions, is considerably lessened. The moisture content of hay is reduced fairly easily to 40 per cent; to reduce it to 20 per cent, however, requires really good weather. The system does not, of course, completely eliminate weather hazards. Some day we shall undoubtedly develop a method of curing fresh cut hay at low temperatures—the high temperature process of present alfalfa meal—but, until more experimental work is done, curing partly dried hay with cold air seems the best answer.

Shall we mow cure our hay loose, chopped or baled? Much work still remains to be done on curing baled hay in the mow. Moreover, handling green hay, either loose or baled, is backbreaking work. Loose hay requires much more space than either of the other two systems. Chopped hay looks like the best method of the three.

For some years the Fox River Tractor Company has manufactured a machine which cuts and chops both hay and corn in the field and blows it back into a covered wagon. From the latter, the material is transferred to a blower that puts it in the silo. The machine operates either with its own motor or with a power take-off from the tractor that pulls both it and the wagon. Some of the other large agricultural machinery companies are now working on their own models of similar machines. If the hay is mowed and windrowed and allowed to cure to a 40 per cent moisture content, the Fox machine can be used to pick it up and chop it and the blower to put it in the barn instead of the silo.

The experience of Robert Murray of Valparaiso, Indiana is set forth by R. H. Wileman in a recent issue of "Successful Farming". In 1944 his first cutting of hay, consisting of about 60 tons of equal parts of alfalfa, bromegrass and timothy, was picked up and chopped when the moisture content was at 35 per cent and blown into a mow 36'x78' equipped with a duct system. This made a layer of chopped hay 7 1-2 ft. deep and required 16 days to cure, the fan operating continuously. The second cutting, consisting of about 30 tons, was blown on top of the first and made a layer 3 1-2 feet deep. It required 8 days to cure. The first cutting tested 23.0 parts per million of carotene and the second 63.8 parts, which is from two to four times as much as is ordinarily found in sun

Eastern Stables Eying Purse At Santa Anita's Coming Winter Meet

William S. du Pont's prominent Foxcatcher Farm will ship to Santa Anita for the record 55-day meeting (December 29—March 16) on November 14. Trainer Dick Handlen has advised Los Angeles Turf Club, Inc.

It is the first definite word on the limited but prominent Eastern stables that will again be represented in Southern California this winter. Col. C. V. Whitney has written Carleton F. Burke, Director of Racing, that he will send out a strong string but so far has not set a shipping date. Tom Smith has announced that Elizabeth Arden's leading money-winning Maine Chance Farm will be on hand and will probably be on the way shortly.

The du Pont horses have been regulars at Santa Anita during the winter seasons from 1934 through 1941. They have always figured prominently. In 1937 they provided the big sensation of winning both the \$100,000 Santa Anita Handicap and the Santa Anita Derby, which was then \$50,000 added. Rosemont beat Seabiscuit and Fairy Hill was 1st in front of Military.

This season the 3-year-old filly Surosa heads the du Pont challengers. She's a daughter of Rosemont-Supremist and distinguished herself on August 29 by winning the Diana Handicap at the Saratoga-at-Belmont meeting. It was at a mile and a furlong, which qualifies Surosa as a candidate for the \$50,000 Santa Margarita filly and mare headliner.

No line other than Gaylo, another 3-year-old winning filly, has been furnished on the horses to be in the du Pont shipment. There has been some talk that Walter M. Jefords will turn over Pavot and a couple others to Dick Handlen to bring out and handle, but there has been no confirmation out here.

cured hay. Later analysis showed the carotene loss to be very low during storage. On the other hand, hay cured at high temperatures, in alfalfa meal plants, shows a high loss of carotene during storage.

On the farm of Byron Legg of Windfall, Ind. a 40 per cent moisture red clover hay crop was cured at a depth of 12 feet in 15 days and contained 50 parts of carotene. The standard alfalfa meal sold to feed companies is guaranteed to contain 30 parts of carotene. Here, in fact, is a system of making much better hay than can ordinarily be made in the field, with much less labor and under a much greater variety of weather conditions. As such it is well worth the careful consideration of livestock farmers.

Goldens Bridge Hounds

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hounds stuck to the line of fox and marked their fox to ground in the old vineyard formerly owned by William Weir. Hounds were out 4 hours. Tuesday, October 23rd:

Met at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tompkins' Hilltop Farm and hounds were cast in swamp south of "Hunting House Hill", a large woodland abundant with fox, grouse, deer, etc., and found a grey which circled same section for about 40 minutes, when hounds suddenly stopped but did not mark in. I believe they caught this twisting grey but the swamp is too dense for horses or humans to navigate. We then drove over Red Shield farm where we found a big Red and it was viewed breaking out of covert (by Mr. Funk and "Cook") and we raced over this nice open country back to "Hunting House Hill" where we circled for about an hour and hounds split and we returned with part of pack and spent most of the afternoon rounding up the rest of the pack.

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Notes From Great Britain

By J. Fairfax-Blakeborough

Influx Of New Owners Cause New Problems For Trainers And Jockeys; Notes On Woodpigeons

Some recent notes here about the influx of new owners and trainers since the war has not only been a good deal discussed but has brought me a number of letters. One well-known Turfite, whose family has been associated with the Turf as owner and amateur riders for at least three generations, says "I was a prisoner of war for some years and when well enough to go racing after my return to England, I found that I didn't know half the owners, trainers and jockeys even by name". Another old-timer says "When we return to normal racing the flood of new-comers will look on us as has-beens and as rather a bore. They "know it all in five minutes", but I've found that just when a man begins to know bit about training horses and about racing generally, he's old enough to know how little he does know". Another trainer, closely associated with two Derby winners, this week said to me:

"Some of us have two jobs to tackle in these days—we not only have to train horses, but also to train the new sort of patron. The old type, who understood horses and jockeyship, could see what the latest arrivals on the Turf stage can't—that a trainer whose horses get beaten, has often shown greater skill than the man who trained the winner".

An ex-jockey, now training, added to this: "Exactly the same applies to jockeyship. Many a lad who manages to get a difficult, or moderate horse, as near to the winning post as he does without actually winning, often has to use far more art and brains than the rider of the winner, who may have nearly a stone in hand".

There are strong views held too, regarding the credentials which a man should hold before he is granted a license to train. As things are now anyone of good character, who has the required number of horses offered is granted a license, regardless of previous experience, suitable ground.

When a cat sits with its back to the fire country folk say a storm is brewing. They have another warning when sheep gather under the shelter of a hill. It is considered in racing stables that when once a horse has left its box to begin its journey to a race meeting, for the lad in charge to turn back is such an omen of ill-luck that the horse might as well not proceed for all the chance it has of winning. I mention these superstitions because of a recent discussion as to whether the curious lore which used to be associated with horses and dogs still continues. Someone had been telling us that St. Vitus was supposed to have power over mad dogs if certain lines were repeated nine times. They concluded thus:

From all the evils that attend
The mad dog's bite, O Saint defend!
Rage and madness disappear,
Horrid plagues remain not here.
Someone else added the information that to "take a hair of the dog that bit you", was not originally to have

a long drink in a morning following a "thirsty night". The saying arose from the belief that hairs from a dog that had bitten a person, if bound round the wound, were an antidote to rabies. Following the relation of other curious superstitions one of the party later sent me these additions:

It was at one time believed that no dog would bark on the approach of a person who had a dog's tooth bound to his arm, or a dog's tongue in his shoe under his great toe. A piece of dog's skin worn in both shoes was a cure for gout. Whilst the hairs of a black dog carried by an epileptic moderated the violence of attacks of fits.

Vermin

Recently I said here that I always used with mental reservation the term "vermin" as applied to the birds and beasts found on gamekeepers' gibbets. A correspondent now writes to me:

I was talking to a gentleman who possesses some very good shooting. He expressed the opinion that "the woodpigeon and rabbit are definitely vermin and should be exterminated". I do not agree. "Vermin" in my dictionary, means "all sorts of noxious animals and insects", which rules out woodpigeons and rabbits. Furthermore, they provide very good sport for those who have not the means or opportunity for any other. I am well aware of the damage they do, but I do not think extermination would be wise, even if it were possible. To my mind—and I have shot much in this country, in Canada and China—woodpigeon shooting is the most fascinating of all, if only for the fact that it calls for much skill in camouflage etc., and endless patience. It also offers opportunity for observing wildlife few other forms of shooting give. For those whose idea of sport is to have a lot of half-tame pheasants driven over in front (if not almost in to them) woodpigeons may have little appeal. Incidentally I had a curious shot at a pigeon this week. The bird was flying fairly high and almost directly overhead. When I fired the whole tail fell out, as though pulled out by some invisible hand. The bird did not show any sign of being hit, nor did it waver or deviate from its line of flight, but flew steadily on, tailless. I do not think it was struck, but cannot explain it. There is probably a reason for the looseness of the feathers of a woodpigeon. I'd like some explanation. No other member of the pigeon family—wild or domestic—has it.

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er, and the sport keener in horse racing. De gustibus, surely—they are all sports, and it occurs to me in passing that money sometimes changes hands at ball parks too.

But beyond controversy is the following remark: "the horse remains feebly responsive to all but the cruelest stimuli, a yank on the mouth, a kick in the groin." I do wish I might meet the author just after he has administered a yank in the mouth to a fit thoroughbred! A horseman can play on a horse's mouth as he might finger the strings of a violin. And you couldn't kick a horse in the groin unless you stood on the ground and kicked up at him—a vindictive gesture in which the author would dearly love to indulge, I'm sure.

The other nasty remarks about the most mettlesome, beautiful, and best-loved of man's trained servants are about on a par in understanding and taste, and will naturally have no effect whatsoever on the way men, women and children all over the world feel about horses, a mysterious enthusiasm, perhaps, like all sports, but as rewarding as the love of animals always is. It makes life worth living equally to the man who gets two hours a week out of a hack stable and to the man who breeds and trains a great horse. (And to the children, horse sports are the greatest character training on earth.)

But what it will have in effect on is the way all these men, women, and children will feel about LIFE. They will give it the horse-laugh.

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22 October 1945

The Chronicle
Middleburg, Va.

Dear Editor:

I want to congratulate you on the splendid articles that have been appearing in the Chronicle during the last two months. The articles of A. Mackay-Smith, and the columns Over the Pasture Fence, and The Tack Room Bench have improved the quality of the Chronicle. An article by SALVATOR is always grand reading for John Hervey is one of the great writers of turf events in this country.

I should like to point out one error in the article written by "Hark Forrard" under the column entitled The Tack Room Bench in the recent Chronicle of October 19th. That error is the use by the author of the

Vernon-Somerset

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a hare, only to kill her by accident after a very short run. The second Sunday we found immediately and Hounds ran very hard in a straight line for about two miles. This looked like being a great hunt, but unfortunately, they ran into a thick cover which was filled with deer, and this delayed things for a long time. We finally found the hunted hare once more and worked her slowly back for some time until darkness put an end to the day's sport. The following Sunday we drew blank again for a long time, and finally found a straight running hare, but lost her after a short hunt owing to very bad scenting conditions. The fields have been very large and everyone seems most enthusiastic and eager to be Beagling again after the difficult war years.—R. V. N. G.

word "veterinary". Veterinary is an adjective and should be used as an adjective to describe a noun and not as a noun. The author uses the word as a noun rather than as an adjective. The word to use as a noun when describing a doctor of veterinary medicine is "veterinarian". Other than this one slip I think that the author's article is well-written. This mis-use of the word veterinary is a too often occurrence in various articles and publications by writers of articles dealing with animals. I feel that in a publication such as The Chronicle which deals with horse subjects that here it should be used correctly.

Yours for continued good Chronicles. The whole veterinary detachment here at Camp Sibert reads The Chronicle and looks forward eagerly to the next issue.

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In the Country



Most Successful

Lewis Waring, President of the United Hunts, held his most successful meeting in history at Belmont Park on Monday and Tuesday, November 5th and 6th. Twenty-two thousand people attended his steeple-chase meeting the first day; 37,000 were on hand the second day. Only disturbing element was the inability to run the Cherry Malotte on Monday for which the United Hunts was putting up \$7,500 and for which there were insufficient entries. Week preceding, President Waring confidently expected a good field of starters from the 15 entries but prudently he had made a provision permitting entries to declare themselves on Saturday. Then it was he found all out but 4 starters three of whom belonged to the same interest. Equally prudently, the President decided this kind of a race would not be to the best interests of 'chasing and declared the whole affair off. Steeple-chase enthusiasts had their reward on election day when Caddie running a superb race for the Rokey Stables vindicated the confidence of his trainer Jack Skinner and in a truly grandstand finish, went off with his share of the \$15,000 Temple Gwathmey stake and the gigantic Temple Gwathmey bowl, presented to Owner Paul Mellon by Mrs. Waring.

Prominent Segment

Those on hand or invited to attend the luncheon given by the Directors and President Waring on Monday included a very substantial segment of the steeplechase and racing enthusiasts in the east. Acceptances included Herbert Bayard Swope, Henry Bull, Wallis Armstrong, Ned Carle, Cornelius Boyle, Byron Foy, Bill Hunneman who is already making plans for a Radnor meeting this spring in Philadelphia, George Garrett, A. G. C. Sage, John Barry Ryan, A. G. C. Sage, Alvin Untermyer, F. S. VonStade, Frank Voss who is in the process of doing a portrait of Mahmoud among a number of other ranking stallions, Louis Stoddard was also on hand and recently out of the army after a tour of duty in China, so was Earle Potter, Amory Haskell and Bobby Winmill among the Director hosts of the day. Over a hundred strong they were and among other noted owners was Harry La Montagne whose brown Lark Day was to prove such an outstanding performer and the worth of Blue Larkspur blood a bit later in the day.

Word of Advice On Colds

Hirsch Jacobs, eleven years leading trainer, has a practical point of view about racing and winning races. Like about everything else that runs to success, it stems mostly from hard-

work and concentration on his job which amounts to keeping somewhere in the neighborhood of 50 horses fit to race at one time. Unlike a number of his contemporaries, Mr. Jacobs is an avid reader retiring to bed early with a book instead of the pros and cons of alibis which come more easier to hand after a day's racing than does concentration to the more average of us mortals. Mr. Jacobs who was recently quoted as saying, "Pigeons bow, too," recently was advised that among his 15 yearlings being broken in Middleburg by Jack Skinner, were three with bad colds, aside from that. Jack reported, all doing nicely.

"Have you got any moldy hay," Mr. Hirsch asked the winner of the Temple Gwathmey and the one time Maryland Hunt Cup winning rider with Soissons. Mr. Skinner was a bit put out.

"I don't feed moldy hay," he told Mr. Jacobs with a certain asperity that Jack is well qualified to assume even with such an authority as the country's leading trainer.

"Well get some then," was the rather startling reply. "I've been reading up on this Penicillin, and as it comes from mold, you will find moldy hay will cure your colds."

"And that just goes to show, of one reason," Jack Skinner concluded, "Why it is Hirsch Jacobs is winning all these races."

Smart Is The Name For It

Out hunting with Piedmont recently at their opening meeting, Five Points, Upperville, Va. was Eva Hamilton riding a compact but somewhat long eared son of Huon. Her ugly duckling but consistent performer caused his owner to remark to her colored stableboy whose pride he is, "I wish he was a trifle fancier looking."

"Miss Eva," came the sturdy rejoinder, "Out hunting he is jus' as smart as a rabbit." And performance to count, he is indeed and amply justifies that particular colored boy's vote of confidence.

Steeplechasing

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behind. And that is the way they finished, all about 5 lengths apart. Mercator, a son of Annapolis, will probably be the leading steeple-chaser now winning 6 of his 14 starts, among them the Grand National Steeplechase Handicap at Belmont Park and the Chevy Chase at Laurel. He is truly a great horse and a beautiful jumper.

The steeplechase on Monday, October 29 was an allowance race with 5 entries, C. K. Bassett's 10-year-old *Corrigan which did not start in 1944 and this year has only started twice, Mrs. F. A. Clark's English horse, *The Beak, a small chestnut gelding with a blaze face and a nice length of rein, her other entry, Cosey, which won his last start, 10 days ago, Montpelier's Annotator, a son of *Blenheim II (he finished 1st October 22, but was disqualified and placed 2nd) and Mrs. J. Barry's Rum Ration, the winner of his last and only start this year.

Rum Ration, as in his last race ran

in front, *The Beak trying to catch him with little success as only once did he get within 2 lengths of him. The English horse gave it up shortly after to drop back to 4th in the running. Cosey, coming on to 2nd place, lost his rider, Fred Kratz, at the next to the last fence. Annotator lost Owen at the 9th. So the race finished as a 3-horse race, Rum Ration ahead by 6 lengths, *Corrigan 2nd, with 20 lengths to spare to *The Beak.

The claiming race on Tuesday had 7 horses go to the post. The big raw boned brown gelding, *Rougemont, has had a rest through the summer. He is an honest and seasoned campaigner of 11 summers. Mrs. J. T. Skinner's Shim Sham is a newcomer this year. He won his 1st and only start over hurdles in 1943, at Middleburg, Virginia and has not raced since. Mrs. J. Sturgeon's Silver Run has won his last 2 starts and carried top weight of 154 pounds.

*Rougemont took command of the field for the 1st mile and a half, but then dropped to 3rd, where Silver Run and Shim Sham passed him. The former advanced steadily from a poor start and Shim Sham ran up with the leaders the whole course. Silver Run finished 3½ lengths ahead of Shim Sham with *Rougemont following 8 lengths behind. Danny Deever came from far back to pass the tiring General Day, Rice Cake and Eremon.

No jumping was carded at Pimlico for Thursday. On Friday, a claiming race for 4-year-olds and upwards was run with 6 starters.

Summaries

Monday, October 29

Two mi., 'chase, 3 & up, allow. Purse, \$2,500; net value to winner: \$1,650; 2nd: \$500; 3rd: \$250. Winner: Lt. ch. g. (6), by Hard Tack—Sunana, by Sun Edwin. Trainer: J. Barry. Time: 3:49.

1. Rum Ration, (Mrs. J. Barry), 140, H. Cruz.

2. *Corrigan, (C. K. Bassett), 142, W. Leonard.

3. *The Beak, (Mrs. F. A. Clark), 146, F. Passmore.

Five started; also ran: lost rider: Mrs. F. A. Clark's Cosey, 143, F. Kratz (13); Montpelier's Annotator, 148, W. Owen (9). Won easily by 6; place driving by 20; show same by 3. 15 jumps. No scratches.

Tuesday, October 30

Two mi., 'chase, 3 & up, cl. Purse, \$2,500; net value to winner: \$1,650; 2nd: \$500; 3rd: \$250; 4th: \$100. Winner: Ir. gr. g. (5), by *Gino—Sun Miss, by Sun Briar. Trainer: A White. Time: 3:54.

1. Silver Run, (Mrs. J. Sturgeon), 154, W. Owen.

2. Shim Sham, (Mrs. J. T. Skinner), 138, E. Roberts.

3. *Rougemont, (J. Bosley, Jr.), 142, H. Cruz.

Seven started; also ran (order of finish): F. H. Nelles' Danny Deever, 148, S. O'Neill; M. R. Jones' General Day, 138, F. Passmore; J. Sturgeon's Rice Cake, 147, J. McGovern; E. McVitty's Eremon, 140, E. A. Russell. Won easily by 3½; place driving by 5; show same by 8. 15 jumps. No scratches.

Wednesday, October 31

Jervis Spencer 'Chase 'Cap. 1st Division. 4 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner: \$8,837.50; 2nd: \$1,500; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: B. g. (8), by Embargo—Alison, by Triumph or *Roi Herode. Trainer: J. E. Ryan. Time: 3:49 4-5.

1. *Booom II, (Mrs. F. A. Clark), 141, J. Masee.

2. Raylyn, (Mrs. F. A. Clark), 144, F. Kratz.

3. Rouge Dragon, (M. A. Cushman), 154, W. Leonard.

Eight started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. S. C. Clark, (W. H. Coffman), 136, E. Roberts; Mrs. H. Obre's Beneksar, 130, S. Riles; Brookmeade Stable's Greek Flag, 130, S. O'Neill; Mrs. F. A. Clark's Royal Archer, 138, J. McGovern; fell: R. McKinney's Navigator, 133, E. A. Russell (14). Won ridden out by 2; place driving by 2½; show same by ½. 15 jumps. No scratches.

Jervis Spencer 'Chase 'Cap. 2nd division, 4 & up. Purse, \$10,000 added; net value to winner: \$8,837.50; 2nd: \$1,500; 3rd: \$1,000; 4th: \$500. Winner: B. g. (6), by Annadale—*Ponova, by Pommern. Trainer: W. G. Jones. Time: 3:50 1-5.

1. Mercator, (W. H. Lipscomb), 153, W. Leonard.

2. Floating Isle, (T. T. Mott), 152, H. Cruz.

3. Lieut. Well, (B. Sharp), 134, S. O'Neill.

Seven started; also ran (order of finish): Mrs. E. D. Weir's Burma Road, 141, J. Magee; Mrs. F. A. Clark's Chesapeake, 135, J. McGovern; fell: Mrs. R. H. Crawford's Kennebunk, 135, E. Roberts (13); lost rider: Mrs. F. A. Clark's Great Flare, 137, F. Kratz (between 1st and 2nd). Won handily by 6; place driving by 5; show same by 5. 15 jumps. No scratches.

Friday, October 2

Two mi., 'chase, 4 & up, cl. Purse, \$2,500; net value to winner: \$1,650; 2nd: \$500; 3rd: \$250; 4th: \$100. Winner: Br. g. (5), by Sammie Little Charmer, by Sun Charmer. Trainer: J. T. Skinner. Time: 3:57 1-5.

1. Little Sammie, (J. C. Montana), 140, E. Roberts.

2. Dancing Archie, (M. A. Cushman), 142, W. Leonard.

3. Abidale, (Mrs. D. P. Barrett), 140, J. McGovern.

Six started; also ran (order of finish): J.

Ziegler Yearlings

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of 13 races, and is the dam of 7 foals, 3 by Espino. Bounding Home won the Belmont Stakes last year. Romping Home (died 1942) and Breezing Home were and are both stake winners. Speeding Home, by *Gino, a 3-year-old is racing now. Her dam, Warrior Lass, a winner herself, is a producer of winners, among them Knickerbocker, Strong Arm, Mistress Grier, the 3-year-old, Flight Deck. Her 1944 yearling, a bay filly by *Easton, sold to Maine Chance Farm at Meadow Brook for \$19,000.

The 3rd filly is by Tintagel—*Chamfron, by Spiom Kop and the last by Pompey—Bit O' Shade, by High Cloud.

All the home-breds have grown and developed enormously since spring under Charlie Sinclair's care. He came down and handed them over to John Magee, who will see to their breaking.

The Ziegler yearlings are coming to hand. John Magee on his Palomino pony takes them hacking over the farm, through the fields and onto the track, walking and trotting and galloping. Slow and thorough he is, and his yearlings show it in their manners and dispositions.

Stuart's Rice Cake, 143, F. Banks; J. Bodley, Jr.'s Meeting House, 135, S. Riles; C. Moore's Ugly Duckling, 137, J. Walsh. Won ridden out by 2; place driving by 10; show same by 1½. 15 jumps. No scratches. Abidale claimed by T. T. Mott.

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SNOWY NIGHT, 5, gr. m., 16 hands and over, by Bonne Nuit—*Rose Dunstan, which has won 23 brush races. Has been hunted for 2 seasons.

COOLA MAY, T. B. yr. f., by Gerald—Rolling Glory.

ROLLING GLORY, 10, br. m., by Rolling In—Mad Glory, by Madman. In foal to Double Scotch.

NURSERY, 9, b. m., by Constitution—Clavichord, by Manager Waite. In foal to Gerald.

Weanlings
Ch. f. by St. Brideaux—Mad Glory.

B. f. by St. Brideaux—Nursery.

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Breeding Notes

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leading jockey in all but 2 of his 20 years of racing. Above him and the top man to ride winners is the Belgian, Sam Healy with 3,620 victories to his credit. The former record in England was held by Fred Archer, who rode the only American horse to win the Derby, Pierre Lorillard's Iroquois 1881. He was not only a great rider, but a fine horseman and a gentleman. Johnny Longden leads in this country. His winning rides go to 2,517, and his earnings already this year amount to \$75,000.

The Virginia-breds numbered 5 in the winner's circle on Thursday. At Jamaica, Mrs. George L. Harrison, whose Blue Ridge Farm is at Upperville, bred the son of *Challenger II, Magnifico, the winner of the 3rd race for 3-year-old and up maidens. At Pimlico, North Wales Stud, Warrenton, bred Galaxy, which won the 3rd race and B. B. Jones, Audley Farm, at Berryville, bred Rough News, which won the 8th. Houghton P. Metcalf, near Middleburg, bred Sal's Sister, which drove to finish first under the wire at Rockingham in the 7th race, and the last race was won by Noahvale, bred by A. L. Leach of Happy Creek.

Mrs. R. H. Heigh of Bel Air, Maryland, bred the 3-year-old Zax, by Neddie, which won the 4th race at Pimlico, and also Adroit, the winner of the 7th. Both horses are running in her colors. Zax has won only one race previously this year, but he manages to stay pretty close to the money. Another Maryland-bred and winner of the 5th race is J. H. C. Forbes' Talasea. She is by Dauber and was bred by Howard Bruce, Elkridge.

The fall yearling sales at Keene land are creating much interest and speculation. A great many of the prominent bidders of the sales this summer expect to go to Kentucky, among them L. B. Mayer, Mrs. Elizabeth Graham, Leslie Combs, Emil Schwartzaupt, Preston Burch. We hope W. Helis and Frank Frankel will come too just to make things more interesting.

Not so long ago the Breeders' Sales Company refused to give registration papers with any consignment bringing less than \$100. There seems to be no fear of any such possibility this year, even the 2 scraggly babies which some soldier went off and left in the mountains of Kentucky brought \$400 and \$600 at Meadow Brook this August.

Friday at Pimlico saw 2 winning New Jersey-breds, Mrs. G. Campbell's Marquest, bred by R. A. Fairbairn, finish in the 1st race 7 lengths in front of V. S. McClinton's Great Play, and W. W. Vaughan's Eddieow, by Neddie, which he bred himself, won the Class D allowance race for 3-year-olds. J. C. Montana's Little Sammie won the steeplechase. He was bred by J. Howard Lewis (Elkins, Pennsylvania) one of the best trainers of 'chasers in this country.

In the allowance race for 3-year-olds and upwards foaled in Maryland, E. C. Eastwood's Challamore, by *Challenger II—Con Amore, by High Cloud netted a \$2,200 purse, with 1-2 a length to spare to H. L. Straus' Quarter Moon. He was bred by J. W. Y. Martin. Maryland also

had a winner in Bart's Chance in the 7th race at Rockingham. At Rockingham too William duPont, Jr. Wilmington, Delaware, bred the winner of the 6th race, Goldbart, a son of *Blenheim II.

At last the step has been taken. Albeit a faltering one, it advances in the right direction. The minimum steeplechase purse has been raised to \$3,300 with the riding fees raised to not less than \$50. Before the minimum purse was \$2,500 and the jockey received \$35 for riding a race. The division of the Jervis Spencer with \$10,000 added to each division was combining both purses, more money than had ever before gone into the coffers of steeplechasing. The 2 biggest purses are \$15,000 in the Grand National Steeplechase at Belmont Park and the Temple Gwathmey Memorial Steeplechase Handicap of the United Hunts. Benjamin F. Lindheimer has lately announced that the Arlington classic and the American Derby will raise their purses from \$50,000 to \$60,000. Four other races have been boosted \$5,000. Hardly a week goes by that there is not a \$50,000 stake somewhere. The Hollywood Gold Cup hands out \$75,000 added; the Los Angeles Turf Club presents a glittering array of purses, none under \$25,000, four of \$50,000 and two of \$100,000. Flat rider Johnnie Longden has already earned \$75,000 this year—almost twice as much as W. H. Lipscomb, the owner of probably the top ranking chaser, has received in purses. The steeplechase boys are a hard working lot and deserve a little more money.

In Friday's steeplechase Judy Johnson claimed for T. T. Mott, Mrs. D. P. Barrett's 7-year-old Abidale. He has yet to win a race this year and perhaps he will within the next 3 weeks.

Mexico is having its first yearling sales, November 5. It seems that horses do well in the high altitudes of Mexico and the country is most enthusiastic about breeding good race horses.

William Woodward's famous broodmare, Marguerite, the dam of Gallant Fox, Fighting Fox, Foxbrough and Petee-Wrake has died at the age of 25. Marguerite was by Celt—of the great Commando-Domino strain, out of *Fairy Ray, by Radium, by Bend Or. Such a pedigree has the sonorous sound of great horses and stately music.

Cedar Creek, a brown colt by *Brahm—*Green Fee, by Fairway bred by North Wales Stud, Warrenton, Va. won easily by four lengths

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at the United Hunts on Election Day at Belmont in The Essex. This was a race of 5½ furlongs for maiden 2-year-olds, colts and geldings, special weight. Cedar Creek's dam was imported from England in 1940 and has a brown yearling filly by *Quatre Bras II now galloping at Belmont with trainer W. B. Finnegan.

After the Pimlico Special, November 17, Mrs. Edward Mulrenan's First Fiddle will move to Santa Anita. He has been shipped to California twice before, but never raced. At Hollywood last year, he did not

train well and the racing ban stopped him at Santa Anita in the winter. "Ed" Mulrenan started out a one-horse trainer with First Fiddle the horse, which he had picked up out of a claiming race as a 2-year-old for \$2,500 from C. V. Whitney. He started him at Gravesend. This summer he had 2 more to train, Valdina Way and Valdina Gaylo. He seems to have annealed others, two 2-year-olds, Jarvis Bay, and Richmond Belle and 2 more 3-year-olds, Big Sun and Cargo Ship. The main track at Santa Anita will be opened for training November 15.—J. W. B.

Classified Ads

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred hunter, middleweight bay gelding, 4 years old, Invermark—Portmora by The Porter. Helen Hickman, Glenview, Kentucky. 11-2-2t-c

FOR SALE—Regt. Thoroughbred hunter by *Jacopo, 16.1 bay gelding, 8 yrs. old. Thoroughly schooled. Exceptionally good jumper. Price \$750. Lee Huyett, Charles Town, W. Va. Tel. 107-W. 11-9-3t-c

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SALE—Jones Terrier Puppies. P. O. Box No. 96, Upperville, Va. 5-25-tf

FOR SALE—Six horse van. 1941 International Tractor Trailer. 24,000 miles, excellent rubber. Price \$2500. Can be seen at Carolanne Farm, Rd. 2, Norfolk, Virginia. Eli Long, Manager, Tel. 45965. 9-28-tf

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Saturday Feb. 23.....	Saturday Dec. 1.....	SANTA ANITA DERBY.....	3-year-olds.....	1 1/8 Miles.....	100,000
Saturday March 2.....	Saturday Feb. 23.....	SANTA MARGARITA HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up Fillies - Mares.....	1 1/16 Miles.....	50,000
Saturday Feb. 2.....	Saturday Jan. 26.....	SANTA CATALINA HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up California Foals.....	1 1/16 Miles.....	50,000
Saturday March 16.....	Saturday March 9.....	SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up.....	1 1/2 Miles.....	50,000
Saturday Jan. 12.....	Saturday Jan. 5.....	SAN PASQUAL HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up.....	1 1/16 Miles.....	50,000
Saturday Feb. 16.....	Saturday Feb. 9.....	SAN ANTONIO HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up.....	1 1/8 Miles.....	50,000
Saturday Dec. 29.....	August 1 1943.....	CALIFORNIA BREEDERS CHAMPION STAKES.....	2-year-old California Foals.....	1 Mile.....	25,000
Tuesday Jan. 1.....	Monday Dec. 24.....	SAN CARLOS HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up.....	7 Furlongs.....	25,000
Saturday Jan. 5.....	Saturday Dec. 29.....	SANTA SUSANA STAKES.....	3-year-old Fillies.....	6 Furlongs.....	25,000
Saturday Jan. 19.....	Saturday Jan. 12.....	SAN FELIPE STAKES.....	3-year-old Colts - Geldings.....	6 Furlongs.....	25,000
Saturday Jan. 26.....	Saturday Jan. 19.....	SANTA MARIA STAKES.....	3-year-old Fillies.....	1 Mile.....	25,000
Saturday Feb. 9.....	Saturday Feb. 2.....	SAN VICENTE HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds.....	1 Mile.....	25,000
Tuesday Feb. 12.....	Saturday Feb. 2.....	SANTA BARBARA STAKES.....	3-year-olds and up Fillies - Mares.....	7 Furlongs.....	25,000
Friday Feb. 22.....	Saturday Feb. 16.....	SAN GABRIEL HANDICAP.....	3-year-olds and up.....	6 Furlongs.....	25,000

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